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Correspondent
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The system is also thought to entail some penalty in terms of the "conventional" nuclear warheads, which would produce a lower nuclear yield than would otherwise be the case.

It seems likely too that the "neutron" components would be stored in the United States, initially at least, so that President Carrer could still point out that neutron warheads had not been deployed in Europe. But it would provide the Americans with greater flexibility should the need arise.

President Carter is also no doubt hoping that it will still criticism of his April decision not to proceed with full-scale production of the neutron weapons. On the other hand it threatens to reawaken the controversy which preceded his announcement.

The official name of the neutron warhead is an "enhanced radiation" or, as politicians prefer to call it, a "reduced blast" weapon.

Unlike existing short-range tactical nuclear weapons it works on the principle of nuclear fusion, like a hydrogen bomb, rather than nuclear fission.

Most of its energy is released in the form of instant radiation, particularly neutrons, instead of in the form of blast and heat. Its military advantage is that it is more effective in stopping tanks because the deadly neutrons penetrate the thickest armour, killing or incapacitating the crews, while causing less lasting damage to the surrounding area.

One of the disadvantages is that because it does all things, the military might be more ready to use it, and to rely upon it as an anti-armour weapon while neglecting their conventional defences. In that case it could more easily start a nuclear war.

S African decision on Namibia due today

From Nicholas Ashford
Pretoria, Oct 18

The three-day secret meeting between the five Western powers and South Africa ended in Pretoria tonight with the question of an internationally acceptable settlement for Namibia (South-West Africa) still unresolved.

The South African Government will announce tomorrow whether it is prepared to accept a compromise on the key issue of elections in Namibia, and thereby enable the Western powers to ward of demands for sanctions against South Africa when the United Nations Security Council meets next week.

Shortly after foreign ministers representing Britain, the United States, West Germany, France and Canada left this evening, Mr Pieter Botha, the Prime Minister, and Mr R. F. Botha, the Foreign Minister, began talks with leaders of six Namibian political parties.

The South African Cabinet will discuss the issue tomorrow.

Before leaving by RAF jet for West Germany, where he is to attend the Anglo-German summit, Dr David Owen, the Foreign Secretary, said that the litmus test to be applied to the South African response was the "extent to which they are prepared to commit themselves to a United Nations-supervised elections".

Throughout the talks the South Africans have not been prepared to move from their commitment to hold unilaterally constituent assembly elections in Namibia in December. The West was equally insistent that the elections should be held over until next year in order to comply with the terms of the Western-United Nations settlement plan.

Dr Owen said the five had made it clear that there could be no question of either the West or the United Nations negotiating with whichever party wins a December election. Any election outside the context of Security Council Resolution 435 would be considered null and void.

It is understood that the proposal which the South Africans are considering involves dual elections. The West would turn a blind eye to a December election if South Africa would commit itself to a United Nations-supervised election next year.

There is still suspicion on the Western side that South Africa is not prepared to be party to any agreement which could lead to a South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo) government in Windhoek.

Meanwhile it was reported today that the letter from President Carter which Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, delivered to the Prime Minister on Monday contained an invitation to visit Washington, conditional on the outcome of the Pretoria talks.



Grape pickers in a vineyard near Epernay, in the heart of the Champagne country, where this year's harvest is drawing to a close. More photographs, Page 8.

Polish Pope confirms 'universality' of church

From Peter Nichols
Rome, Oct 18

Pope John Paul II spoke to each of the cardinals today in an impressive display both of affability and linguistic ability, which was looked upon favourably.

Most of the Sacred College seems happy with its election of the first non-Italian Pope since the early sixteenth century. The only exceptions are said to be a few Italian cardinals who feel unhappy partly because of the end of the Italian monopoly of the papacy and partly because they know that the Italian candidates through their lack of essential qualities practically excluded themselves.

The international interpretation of the election is varied. There is no doubt that a man has been elected who not only has a strong character but has an extraordinarily deep religious conviction.

Friends of the Pope say that as a busy archbishop he still managed to find time for a great deal of prayer, including a regular daily meditation on the via crucis.

Pope John Paul II had quite genuinely not expected to be elected and there were fears among his friends on the second day of the conclave, when his votes were rising, that he might refuse to accept the Papacy. Probably the decisirt encouragement came from his own Primate, Cardinel Wyszynski.

Cardinal König, the Archbishop of Vienna, who undoubtedly played a crucial part in the election, believes that the result is important for two main reasons.

The first concerns the church itself, which Cardinal König summarizes as having been Italianate in the last centurv. The Second Vatican Council gave it a European dimension and the reign of Paul VI provided the international basis by his changes in the Sacred College and the Roman Curia.

Cardinal König sees the election of a Polish Pope as the logical consequence of what Paul VI did. The Pope himself said in his speech to the cardinals today that he was grateful to Paul VI for having given the Sacred College a dimension which emphasizes the "universality of the church".

On the question of relations with East Europe, the cardinal, who has handled much of the church's negotiation with East Europe in the past, including contacts with the late Cardinal Mindszenty in Budapest, sees two possible results of the election.

It could produce greater difficulties in contacts with communist authorities; or, the communist side might feel that it must change its position and become more amenable.

The American cardinals were saying today that they had heard the Chinese were very happy at the election which was taken to mean that the Soviet Union would have to think still harder about its implications.

Papacy's new role, page 8

Britain's defences against a big oil spill are inadequate, MPs say

By Michael Baily

Britain's defences against a serious oil spill around the coast are inadequate, the Commons Select Committee on Science and Technology declared yesterday.

There is no plan to concentrate national resources in an area suddenly affected by large scale pollution, the committee says in a critical report on the Eleni V incident. Dispersant available for a Channel spill, enough for less than 6,000 tons compared with 230,000 tons spilt by the Amoco Cadiz, is such as to leave the South Coast "virtually unprotected".

At a press conference in London yesterday, the committee chairman, Mr Arthur Palmer, MP, said the Christos Bitas incident off the Welsh coast highlighted the committee's warning that disasters of that kind are likely to become increasingly frequent. That had to be accepted as a fact of life, and Britain must spend far more, probably double the present amount, on preparing contingency plans in advance.

"The whole risk and hazard of oil polution needs to be taken much more seriously both nationally, and in consultation with coastal local authorities."

The handling of the Eleni V incident, when 5,000 tons of heavy fuel oil was spilled off East Anglia after a collision in May, suffered from delay, indecision, lack of contingency plans and lack of consultation, the report finds.

In retrospect, the arguments in favour of blowing up the wreck were very strong, but the Department of Trade, discussing various "unworkable options" early on failed to put forward such a course on its own initiative.

"It all took far too long", Mr Palmer said. "Certain courses of action were decided on then abandoned. Then they switched to another course and that was abandoned. It was only towards the end that a big salvage firm was finally brought in. There were delays and an atmosphere of dither."

Had the salvage experts been brought in earlier they could have given general advice from their vast experience on how to deal with the spill. But the Department of Trade failed to call them in, and itself failed to anticipate events.

Lack of suitable techniques for heavy fuel oil resistant to dispersant are criticized in the report. "The assumption seems to be that tankers always carry crude oil, like the Torrey Canyon and Amoco Cadiz, that that detergents and solvents can deal with reasonably well", Mr Palmer said. "But there is now a considerable amount of heavy fuel moving round our coast and much more research is neded on how to deal with it."

Local authorities had complained of lack of consultation. It was not that the Department of Trade did not speak to them; but it merely told them what was going to happen rather than genuinely consulting. The divided responsibility with local authorities responsible up to a mile off shore was an "absurd distinction". All sea areas should be the responsibility of the Department of Trade, leaving beaches to local authorities.

The Department of Trade organization was sound but the man o nthe spot had not enough authority, Mr Palmer said. He had to report to his superiors in London who in turn had to report to ministers carrying the ultimate responsibility. But the Secretary of State was bound to be preoccupied with other things, and while the Parliamentary Secretary did visit the scene his real power was in some doubt; it seems to have been mainly a public relations exercise. The man on the spot should have more responsibility.

Mr Palmer admitted that the report had been written before the department's own expert inquiry recommended in the summer a sharp increase in anti-pollution resources with the establishment of a special operations unit under a new "supremo". Those recommendations were accepted by the Government but have not yet been implemented, the Department of Trade said last night. *Fourth Report from the Select Committee on Science and Technology: Eleni V.* House of Commons Paper 684. Stationery Office, £2.75.

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Pilot blamed for Tenerife air disaster

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, Oct 18

The pilot of the KLM airliner was at fault in the world's worst air disaster when two Boeing 747 aircraft collided on Tenerife, Canary Islands, last year killing nearly 600 people, the Spanish Ministry of Transport said today in a report on the crash.

The crash occurred on the runway of Los Rodeos Airport between the KLM aircraft, which was taking off, and a Pan American Boeing 747 which was taxi-ing to the takeoff position on Sunday, March 27.

The report said the fundamental cause of the accident was that the KLM captain took off without authorization; did not obey the tower's instruction to "stand by for takeoff"; did not abort his takeoff when the Pan Am pilot said that he was still on the runway; and answered with a decided affirmation when the flight engineer asked him if the Pan Am airliner had left the runway.

It added that other factors contributing to the catastrophe were the mounting stress to which the KLM captain, who was a victim was subjected and the climatological conditions of Tenerife—the typical pattern of clouds sweeping down the runway at ground level, causing intermittent visibility.

Other possible factors, the report concluded, were the simultaneous transmission of two radio messages, a three-second communications blackout as a result of a whistling sound, "inadequate" language used over the radio and the fact that the Pan American aircraft did not leave the runway by the third exit.

Air rescue

Mattmark, Switzerland, Oct 18.—Ten Swiss schoolchildren trapped by snow overnight 6,000ft up in the Alps near Mattmark were taken to safety by army helicopter today.

r Hattersley warns retailers of move ban confusing bargain offers

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Government intends to iit the use of some barr offer claims which it es might confuse consumout the value of goods or es. Mr Roy Hattersley, tary of State for Prices nsumer Protection, yesnnounced a draft order e it illegal to compare a price with the manufacs recommended retail or to make claims such worth £50, our price £30", to 40 per cent off", or could pay £10 more elsee".

Government's proposals recommendations made Gordon Borrie, Directorral of Fair Trading, earhis year.

ong the examples quoted main offers that would be ibited under the order is sh Rail's advertising of some concessionary fares: "Up to 45 per cent off standard fare".

Mr Hattersley said that confusing bargain offer claims were "one of the things that consumers tell me most annoy them". He said that in some cases, which he would not specify, he felt that recommended retail prices were "created with no other intention than to enable people to claim reductions from them for prices which are, in fact, the ordinary ones prevailing".

The order would permit the quotation of bargain offers or special prices only where genuine price reductions are being made. The onus of proof would be on the retailer to substantiate any claim he makes, and failure to comply with the order would make him liable to a fine of up to £400 on summary conviction.

The proposals would put an end to "flash offers", in which manufacturers print their packages with slogans offering "so much off" recommended or maximum retail prices.

Mr Hattersley said that after a Price Commission report earlier this week he would be discussing with Lever Bros possible changes in their system of "temporary price reductions", in which flash offers are widely used. "We have to reach a clearer definition of what a temporary bargain offer should be", he said. "It seems clear it should be something more than a reduction which is available in perhaps a different form almost continuously."

Another recent Price Commission report, on the pricing of beds, suggested that manufacturers in that sector should be prohibited from recommending prices at which

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HMS Eagle runs aground on way to breaker's yard

The aircraft carrier HMS Eagle ran aground yesterday on a sandbank 300 yards from the yard at Loch Ryan, near Stranraer, where she is to be broken up fro scrap.

She had been towed from Devonport by three Ministry of Defence tugs. Near the end of her five-day voyage she hit the sandbank, watched by large crowds, soon after being handed over to civilian tugs.

The 50,000 ton ship went out of commission more than three years ago and after being stripped of equipment was sold for scrap for £1m. The breaking up will occupy between 25 and 30 men for two years.

The Eagle, which was laid down in 1947 and completed in 1951, is the twenty-first ship of the Royal Navy to bear the name. Her overall length is 800ft, with a beam of 113ft. She cost £15,795,000 and in 1967 underwent a £31m refit. Her peacetime complement was about 2,000 officers and men.

Karpov win illegal, says Korchnoi

Baguio, Oct 18.—Anatoly Karpov, the Soviet grand master, exhausted after the longest battle for the world chess championship, was still in bed today when he formally retained his title. His delegation did not even bother to wake him with news of his victory.

Viktor Korchnoi, the challenger, resigned in their thirty-second game, adjourned from the previous evening. With the score then tied at 5—5, Korchnoi's resignation in a virtually hopeless position gave Karpov the sixth victory which confirmed him as world champion for the next three years.

But the stormiest series in chess history remained controversial to the end. Korchnoi, aged 47, a Soviet defector, claimed in a letter to the referee that the game was not valid and the match with Karpov, who is 20 years his junior, was not euded.

In his note to Dr Miroslav Filip, the chief referee, Korchnoi pointedly avoided using the word "resign" though both he and Mr Raymond Keene, his chief British second, used it when speaking to reporters earlier.

"I don't resume the thirty-second game. But I am not going to sign the scoresheets of the game, because it has been played under absolutely illegal conditions", Korchnoi said in the letter. "I don't consider this game valid. The match is not finished."

He did not say whether he was going to appeal against the result of the championship, but said he reserves the right to

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Mr John Davies

Mr John Davies, the Conservative spokesman on foreign affairs, has been visited in hospital by his wife after a brain operation.

The National Hospital for Nervous Diseases said later that he was making a good recovery and his condition was satisfactory.

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es are growing that the seeminaly ractable European Community dis- over fishing may be resolved by end of November. The news fol- ed discussions between Mr John in, the Agriculture Minister, and r Josef Ertl, his West German nterpart, who is the current presi- t of the Community's Council of iculture Ministers. Sounding a re optimistic note than for many nths, the two ministers reported ood progress" Page 9

lewsprint prices up

wsprint from Sweden, Norway and aland will cost 8.5 per cent more im January 1. When their contract pires in the middle of next year, ited Kingdom newspapers will pos- ly face fresh price increases Page 21

Swedish Cabinet

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Workers postpone pay settlements

More workers are postponing pay settlements under the present policy than during the early stages of Phase Three and no settlements outside the 5 per cent guideline have been notified. Figures published yesterday show a fall in average earnings in August, compared with July Page 21

Discovery appeal

A national appeal to save Captain Scott's Antarctic ship, The Discovery, has raised £430,000 of the £850,000 needed. The ship will become a museum run by the National Maritime Trust, to which she has been handed over by the Royal Navy Page 6

Mozambique thrust

In what is seen as retaliation for the guerrilla mortar attack on Umtali, Rhodesian forces have again struck across the border into Mozambique, their third such action this year Page 9

Qantas Jew ban

An investigation has been ordered into why the Australian airline Qantas agreed to Syrian demands to ban Jews from its flight to London via Damascus. Mr Peter Nixon, the Transport Minister, told MPs that he was distressed at reports of restrictions on Australian citizens on religious grounds Page 10

Phalangists say 10,000 Syrians will pull out

The Christian-controlled "Voice of Lebanon" radio station in Beirut has claimed that Syria is to withdraw 10,000 troops from the city, under a secret agreement reached at the conference of Arab foreign ministers earlier this week. This would represent a compromise with the Christian militias Page 10

King's invitation

King Baudouin has invited Mr Paul Van Den Boeynants to form a new Belgian Government. He has asked the King for time to think it over before accepting. Mr Van Den Boeynants is a Social Christian like Mr Leo Tindemans, who resigned last week. Page 8

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HOME NEWS

'Local authority' working party critical of design and cost of council housing since the war

By John Young
Planning Reporter

A striking admission that much post war council housing has been ineptly planned, badly designed and unnecessarily expensive, forms the basis of a report published today.

The report is remarkable in that it is neither a political tract nor a government admonition but the product of a working party, of whose 17 members all but five are councillors or local authority employees.

Its authors say that although they have *no doubt that the* basic motivation of members and officers concerned with housing is to provide the best possible service, *performance* does not always match intent. There might be unpleasant surprizes if the full costs of many housing schemes were presented systematically.

"Present methods of controlling the costs of local authority housing schemes are fragmented, and the current statutory accounting arrangements are not an effective tool for financial planning", the report states.

It suggests that authorities should compare their projects with the private sector: the housing preferences of tenants are thought not to differ greatly from those of owner-occupiers.

Proposals should be referred, at the design stage and on completion, to valuers who would usually base their judgments on the private sector. Such comparisons should enable authorities to consider whether they are getting value for money and if they prove unfavourable to ask why.

If such an approach had been adopted, such unpopular and expensive schemes as tower blocks and flats with deck access might never have been built. More popular housing would have been provided at less cost.

Authorities should also consider the effect of their activities on the land market. If they held off from expensive purchases in some areas, they might induce more realism in those holding on to land in memory of high prices.

"Some authorities seem to have paid large sums for land without knowing fully its condition or how they intended to use it", the report says. "The cost of having excessively large land banks to meet every eventuality is considerable.

"Authorities should therefore keep their holdings under continuous review. If there is not a reasonably early prospect of using land, they should consider disposing of it, thus releasing capital and avoiding further loan charges."

The report accepts that there may be reasons for public housing being more expensive than private, including higher standards of construction and workmanship, because councils have commitments to long-term maintenance and management, which private builders have not; different space and heating pecifications; higher site development costs; and the obligation to meet the special needs of a wide variety of households.

But even after eliminating such considerations and comparing like for like, the cost of conventional low-rise housing is higher in the public sector than in the private.

The report says that private builders have to keep the total cost of land, construction, overheads, selling and financing below the expected sale price. Buuuu most local authorities work in distinct stages, which is more complex, lengthy and costly.

"In making these comparisons, we are not implying that all is rosy with private housing, and bad with public housing," the authors say. "What we do say is that there are lessons to learn from good private housebuilders that will improve management, design and contracting."

The report suggests taht each of the 403 housing authorities in England and Wales should aim to save at least 5 per cent on all new housebuilding, producing a national saving of more than £50m a year

Objectives should include setting a total cost target for each scheme; monitoring overall costs: checking for value; using good simple designs frequently; *considering builders'* advice on efficiency; and eschewing preconceived ideas.

Mr Reginal Freeson, Minister for Housing and Construction, said yesterday that many of the report's messages were new, challenging and constructive. It would be placed on the agenda of the Housing Consultative Council.

Value for Money in Local Authority Housebuilding Programmes (Housing Development Directorate, Department of the Environment, Room 1107, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7ER).

NGA leader welcomes settlement terms as victory for common sense

Last hurdle today in ending 'Telegraph' strike

By Alan Hamilton

The Daily Telegraph should be back on the streets tomorrow morning after a particularly damaging stoppage which has cost the paper 13 successive issues of its London editions.

One hurdle remains before a full resumption of publication. The 240 men in the *Telegraph's* composing, reading and telecommunications departments directly involved in the stoppage will meet at 1.30 this afternoon to vote on whether to accept the settlement formula. They are being strongly recommended to do so by the national officials of their union, the National Graphical Association.

Mr Joe Wade, general secretary of the NGA, said after the lengthy negotiations: "I am pleased we have found a settlement. I do not wish to see any paper closing; that would be detrimental to my members. Neither side has scored a victory here; it is simply a victory *for common sense*".

Agreement in principle to end the stoppage was achieved through the initiative of the *TUC printing industries committee*, a body with a good record in Fleet Street disputes. Its chairman, Mr William Keys, who is also general secretary of the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades, one of the largest printing unions, called the two sides to Congress House late on Tuesday afternoon.

Eight hours later Mr Keys had achieved the considerable feat of winning agreement to a formula without the two sides having met.

Since it last appeared on Wednesday, October 4, the paper has lost more than 13 million copies, and the family business that owns it has lost about £1.3m. Throughout the *dispute the northern editions* of the *Telegraph*, which account for about 400,000 copies a day, have continued to appear from the *Manchester office, although* with occasional blank spaces in the pages.

Talks got under way shortly after Lord Hartwell, chairman of the *Telegraph*, had sent a letter to all staff giving a warning that the paper was bleeding to death and might soon face bankruptcy.

Neither side was willing to elaborate on details of the settlement formula, but among the principal points are that the *Telegraph* will look afresh at the original cause of the dispute, a claim by its 24 wire room men for extra payments for operating telephoto equipment and the talks will be conducted in the presence of NGA national officials. There will also be talks involving union officials, management and the Newspaper Publishers Association on ways of improving negotiating procedures.

In addition, the strikers will be paid for work on October 4 and 5 when the dispute began.

The company has agreed to award the strikers an extra half day's pay to ensure that there is a smooth resumption "Anarchy" attacked: Sir Richard Marsh, NPA chairman, yesterday criticized what he termed the "anarchy" in Fleet Street (the Press Association reports). Later, a Labour MP urged the TUC to serve the newspaper industry some "preventive medicine".

Sir Richard said on LBC *Radio*: "There are stoppages virtually every night."

He sympathized with the unions but it was their job, if they make an agreement, to keep it. If someone did not keep the agreement, it was up to the union to kick him out.

Mr Neville Sendelson, MP for Hayes and Harlington, has written to the Prime Minister urging him to meet the TUC, saying: "There is a limit to how long a free society can survive continuous attacks upon a free press." A militant faction in Fleet Street wanted to inflict as much damage as it could, to the point of obliteration.

Times shortages: Some readers of *The Times* have been disappointed to find recently that the newspaper has been in short supply and that they have had to go without it. The shortage is a result of the dispute that prevented publication of *The Daily Telegraph*

Regular *Telegraph* readers have been turning to other newspapers. Because of the increased demand, *The Times* began to print extra copies to meet extra orders from the trade and to ensure regular supplies to its regular readers. During most of last week it met the increased demand.

On the night of Thursday, October 12, National Graphical Association members in the press room of *The Times*, following instructions from the union branch, said they would not print more copies than usual, as in their view extra production could be seen as taking advantage of the non-appearance of the *Telegraph*.

Mr Clive Lovesy, circulation manager of *The Times*, said yesterday that the intention was not to take unfair advantage of the *Telegraph's* difficulties but to ensure continuity of supply to *The Times's* regular readers.

"We have done our best to satisfy the extra demand for *The Times*, but in all the circumstances of the non-appearance of the *Telegraph* and the consequent restriction of our print order, it has just not been possible to keep up with demand", Mr Lovesy said.

The Times was particularly scarce yesterday. The number of copies fell short of requirement because of mechanical difficulties and we apologize to readers who had to go without.

BOC offer double the limit is expected

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

Senior union officials British Oxygen to make pay offer at least doub Government's pay limi containing a detailed gramme for shortenin working week.

The threat of a repeat year's four-week strike b manual workers in the pany's gases division r last night after both sid agreed to meet again o ember 1. Then the compa improve its pay offer would yield an increa about 8 per cent.

The company faces se trouble from 1,600 white employees in the division gates from three unions yesterday to begin sin

White-collar staff in Association of Scientific nical and Managerial the Transport and G Workers' Union and General and Mu Workers' Union want settlement dates of upper grades moved July to October to bring into line with their colle a demand that would b the rule that 12 months clapse between pay dea

The planned sanction likely to slow supplies of including oxygen and nit to industry.

It is unlikely to be as s as last year's strike b manual workers, whose l Mr John Miller, na chemicals officer of the T said last night that he "fairly happy" after y day's talks in London.

The union was still se earnings increases, howeve deal was structured, of be 14 and 15 per cent, he. The management had clear that it would prob revised offer which would nize the need for incentive had committed itself to a for moves towards the 35 week. The latter offer be a significant advance union campaign for hour ductions without loss earnings.

A company official said talks had been amicable constructive. The points pi the union would be consi in the light of British Oxy trading position. Figures last year, which included strike, are expected to a decrease from the pre year's profits of £27m.

Plea to unions: Mr John Gi borough, president of the federation of British Indu yesterday made a plea to unions to exercise responsit in their pay claims now *they have rejected the Gov* ment's 5 per cent pay po Both employers and the ment were helpless if fa with excessive union-back pay claims, he said.

The Government had done it could to influence exce tions, and managers in indu "nobody denies the uni were standing firm so far. power to wreck the prog we have made so far on i tion."

Employers described the claims of 20 per cent and being registered by the data bank as "quite irre sible".

Deal rejected: Nearly 3 shoe workers yesterday rej a pay deal within the Go ment's pay policy which union had accepted in prin

Colonel B 'obsessed with secrecy'

By Craig Seton

A leading prosecution witness in the secrets trial who said that the general public was not aware of Britain's Signals Intelligence (Sigint) activities in peacetime was accused by defence counsel yesterday of being "obsessed with secrery".

Colonel Hugh Johnstone, who was known only as "Colonel "B" during the committal proceedings before trial, told the jury at the Central Criminal Court that to the best of his knowledge the Crown "has never admitted" the existence of Sigint since the war.

Lord Hutchinson of Lullington, QC, for Duncan Campbell, one of the three defedants, had put it to him that Sigint was a known fact, had been written about and talked about for years. He asked him: "If the Crown do not admit something, it remains in the category of classified secret information?"

Colonel Johnstone, who until last year had overall responsibility for Army Sigint, replied: "What remains secret is what is designated secret by whoever makes the designation." When Lord Hutchinson suggested that the rules that laid down what was secret were themselves secret, he replied: "That is right."

Told by Lord Hutchinson "You are obsessed with secrecy" and that Sigint was a known fact, the colonel replied: "I am not obsessed by secrecy. Because of my knowledge of the subject I am better aware than many people of the crucial need to ensure that some secrets which are more secret than others are kept as secret as possible. Some secrets are more secret than others, and this is one. I believe fervently that this sort of matter should remain as secret as possible."

Colonel Johnstone said that, to the best of his knowledge, until the trial the general public was not awarie of Sigint activities in peacetime. "Now they all know", he added.

Lord Hutchinson quoted to him passages from a book, The New Diplomacy and its apparatus by Geoffrey McDermott, a diplomat for 27 years and "an authoritative source", which he said gave details about Government Communications Headquarters at Cheltenham. It made it clear, he said, that it was the government agency for surveillance of radio transmissions and for analysing messages received. It also broke codes and read ciphers. He asked whether that was classified.

Colonel Johnstone said it was not cylassified and if it was accurate it was damaging, because Sigint was vital to defence. "It is not just an academic exercise", it is something crucial too ur defence and any revelations of this nature which push aside the veil must inevitably adversely affect our ability to defend ourselves."

Referring again to the colonel's "obsession with secrecy" Lord Hutchinson said he had been hiding his own identity by calling himself "Colonel B". The colonel said: "I was under instructions to appaer in the manner in which I appeared." He agreed that his name had appeared repeatedly in Service magazines.

Earlier, pointing out that John Berry, a former member of th eIntelligence Corps, was accused of giving information last year to two journalists about the location and role of a Sigint unit, called A in court, at *Location 1. Lord Hutchinson* said a convicted Soviet spy, Chief Technician Douglas Britten, had been stationed at the location in the 1960s.

Colonel Johnstone agreed that it was a "reasonable supposition" that Britten had given to Soviet Union information that included the located of Unit A and what it was doing.

Later he accepted that a Corporal Brian Patchett, of the Intelligence Corps, had defected to East Germnay in 1963. When he was asked if the chance was not enormous that Patchett had disclosed the role of another Sigint unit, called Unit B. Colonel Johnstone agreed that it would be "prudent" to assume so.

Mr Berry is accused with Duncan Campbell and Crispin Aubrey, both journalists. The prosecution has alleged that Mr Berry gave information about Sigint and Sigint units in an interview last year. The three face a total of eight charges under sections 1 a nd 2 of the Official Secrets Act, which they have denied.

The trial continues today.

Bishops stop move on remarriage

Three Scottish bishops yesterday stopped the adoption of a working party report that advocated the remarriage of divorced persons by the Scottish Episcopal Church.

The provincial synod of the Scottish Episcopal Church, meeting in Perth, had overwhelmingly adopted the report, which suggested remarriage under certain conditions.

It was agreed in the report that bishops would allow a marriage service only if they were satisfied that the divorecd person was aware of the seriousness of past failure and of the factors leading to the breakdown of the previous marrage.

Adoption of the report required a change in canon law, which needs the blessing of two thirds of the bishops present. But the bishops of Aberdeen, Argyll and Moray voted against the change and the report was thrown out.

Miss Proll's solicitor seeks prison change

By Stewart Tendler

Mr Merlyn Rees, the Home Secretary, has been asked by the solicitor for Miss Astrid Proll to move her from Brixton prison to Holloway because of unsatisfactory conditions in the men's prison.

She is being kept on remand at Brixton with two other female prisoners because all are considered high security risks by reason of the charges they face, and, in Miss Proll's case, her alleged former membership of the Baader-Meinhof gang.

This week Mr Larry Grant, solicitor for Miss Proll, wrote to Mr Rees describing conditions at Brixton. Mr Grant said it was surprising that no women's prison in the South of England was considered secure.

None of the three women is being allowed more than three hours association a day, while male prisoners get at least five. No restrictions are placed on men but the women may talk to only one other female prisoner at a time. Prison officers also monitor their conversations.

The women are moved to different cells every three or four days.

Service pay and life for review

By Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent

The Ministry of Defence is about to begin its most searching review of pay and conditions in the Armed Forces for more than 10 years.

The Government and the Services are concerned about recruiting prospects for the mid-1980s when because of the falling birth rate, the Forces will be competing with industry for a diminishing pool of manpower.

The United States Army, which became an all-volunteer force in 1972, is concerned about the same trend, and even the Soviet Union is likely to be affected.

Sources said last night that the ministry study would investigate the military salary, which was heavily criticized by Servicemen earlier this year.

It will also cover accommodation, messes and clubs, family separation, communication within the ranks and fringe benefits.

The survey, described as a domestic management study, will be conducted by three officers at brigadier level, one for each of the Services, and by a senior civil servant.

Mr Frederick Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, said in an interview with the Press Association yesterday, manpower was one of the most serious difficulties facing the Forces.

Replying to criticism of Britain's air defences, he said that the RAF had now almost the same number of defence aircraft that it had when the last Conservative government left office. Air defences had been dismantled by the Conservatives in 1957 when Nato embraced the "tripwire" doctrine.

The Government, Mr Mulley said, had added more Bloodhound and Rapier anti-aircraft missiles and had ordered 11 Nimrod airborne early warning (AZEW) aircraft for the RAF.

He dismissed a suggestion that the RAF might buy aircraft from the United States to bolster defences until Tornado interceptors came into service in the mid-1980s.

Family advice: The Army is planning to set up a family advice bureau at United Kingdom Land Forces (UKLF) headquarters at Wilton, Wiltshire, after criticism from wives.

Retailers reject 'bogus' allegation

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retailers might sell their products. The Government's proposals do not go as far as that, and aim to prohibit the misleading quotation of recommended prices

Price comparisons that retailers would still be allowed to make under the new regulations would include reductions from their own previous selling prices, introductory offers for stated limited periods, and comparisons with prices at other named retailers.

Similarly they would still be able to offer reductions on flawed goods, lower terms for cash than credit, or quantity discounts.

Mr Hamersley said that by ending confusion over bogus bargain offers the Government hoped to encourage genuine bargain price reductions.

Grounding unexplained as tanker offloading goes on

From Tim Jones
Cardiff

The *Christos Bitas*, whose inexplicable collision with well charted rocks off the Welsh coast a week ago has caused death to wildlife and the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of pounds, is an unlucky ship flying the flag of the nation with the worst maritime record.

As efforts to save her proceeded slowly yesterday, all my attempts to discover why she crashed into the Hats and Barrels rocks in broad daylight en route from Rotterdam to Belfast on Thursday were met with refusal.

In London, the shipping agents for the 58,500-ton tanker, the Capeside Shipping Company, said: "We have been told that all information must come from the Department of Trade."

Coastguards manning the pollution control centre at St Ann's Head have also been ordered not to speak of the incident, and Captain Raymond Newbury, who is coordinating the control for the department, has refused to give his opinion about the cause.

Although radio telephone contact with the ship is a relatively simple matter, her captain has refused the opportunity of explaining the accident, which has led to demands by MPs for pilots to be compulsory in British waters.

The Christos Bitas, launched in 1963 as the Liberian-registered Panachaikon, had been involved in 10 incidents before she brought death and destruction to the wildlife of the Welsh coast.

When she began flying the Greek flag in 1975 her luck did not change. According to the General Council of British Shipping, 3.9 per cent of all Greek registered tankers were involved in serious incidents between 1968 and 1976. That compares with 3 per cent for Liberia and 2.9 per cent for Panama. The figure for the United Kingdom, 1.9 per cent, compares with a world average of 2.2 per cent.

One tanker captain with wide experience of the route said yesterday that only a serious navigational error could account for the tanker's being so far off course in near-perfect conditions. The tanker could have been navigated safely even without the benefit of her radar and direction-finding equipment.

The accident happened at about 4 pm when a tide race of about two knots would be pushing the ship towards the Welsh coast. That is the size of tidal variation for which navigators compensate as a matter of course.

When the Department of Trade investigation is eventually held one key question will be why the captain waited for more than 12 hours, when the ship was limping out in the Irish Sea, before sending a distress message. The captain will be asked why he did not stop his ship until 10.30 pm, in spite of requests to do so.

He will be asked to answer allegations that he pumped oil into the sea to lighten the ship in an effort to get her off the rocks. It has been estimated that the Christos Bitas lost 4,000 tons of her 35,000 tons of crude Iranian oil into the sea.

After the force nine gale had abated yesterday, offloading operations resumed in the late afternoon and rescue experts hope that all the cargo will be removed by the weekend.

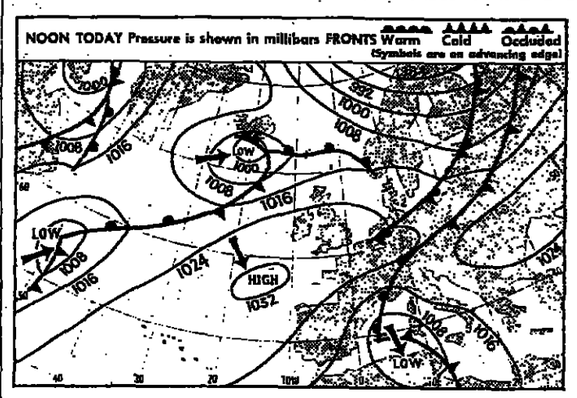
Accidents to children

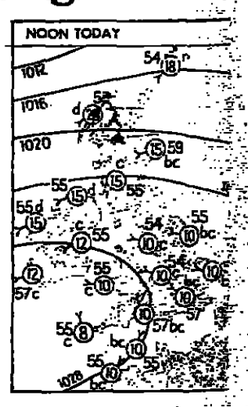
A report from the Royal Society fo rthe Prevention of Accidents, published today, shows that about one child in 56 under the age of five in Britain is kille dor seriously injured by accident or violence every year at present. Among children of school age, one in 90 suffers such death or injury. *The Facts About Accidents* (£1.12, from Rospa, Birmingham).

Children fund's £6.

The income of the Sav Children Fund rose last by 18 per cent to £6.4m. Da Moynihan, the fund's chair said yesterday.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 7.31 am *Sun sets*: 6.0 pm
Moon sets: 10.48 am Moon rises: 8.13 pm
Last quarter: October 24.
Lighting up: 6.30 pm to 7.02 am.
High water: London Bridge, 4.27 am, 7.4m (24.2ft); 4.39 pm, 7.4m (24.4ft). Avonmouth, 9.55 am, 13.4m (43.9ft); 10.18 pm, 13.2m (43.2ft). Dover, 1.24 am, 6.7m (22.1ft); 1.43 pm, 6.7m (22.1ft). Hull, 8.38 am, 7.4m (24.4ft); 8.59 pm, 7.2m (23.7ft). Liverpool, 1.36 am, 9.4m (30.9ft); 1.55 pm, 9.2m (30.3ft).

A ridge of high pressure over S. Districts will decline slowly as a deepening low moves E to the N of Scotland.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, SE, Central S, E, SW and Central N England, East Anglia, Midlands: Mostly dry, bright or sunny intervals; wind W or NW, light; max temp 15°C (59°F).

Channel Islands: Dry, sunny intervals; wind N, light; max temp 15°C (59°F).

Wales, NW England, Lake District: Rather cloudy, a little rain or drizzle, particularly later; wind W, light or moderate; max temp 12°C (54°F).

Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll, N Ireland: Mostly cloudy, rain or drizzle at times, heavy in places later, hill fog; wind W or SW, fresh or strong; max temp 11°C (52°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen: Mostly dry day with bright or sunny intervals, rain in evening; wind W moderate, increasing fresh or strong; max temp 14°C (57°F).

Moray Firth, NE and NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Cloudy with rain, heavy at times, hill fog patches, more sshowery later; wind SW fresh or strong, gales in exposed places, veering NW later; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: After showers in E at first it will become mostly dry with sunny spells but overnight fog patches, becoming colder with night frosts in places.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; th, thunder.

	C	F		C	F		C	F		C	F
Aberdn	f	15	77	Cardiff	c	11	52	Jersey	f	12	54
Algiers	th	14	57	Cologne	c	5	41	L. Palmas	f	24	76
Amsterdm	c	12	54	Copenhgn	s	11	52	Lisbon	f	19	66
Athens	s	21	70	Dublin	r	11	52	Locarno	r	8	46
Barcelona	c	15	59	Edinburgh	c	10	54	London	s	13	55
Beirut	c	26	79	Florence	c	15	59	Luxemburg	s	9	48
Belfast	c	10	50	Funchal	c	21	70	Madrid	s	14	57
Berlin	c	9	48	Geneva	c	9	45	Majorca	c	12	54
Biarritz	c	10	50	Gibraltar	s	23	73	Malaga	s	25	77
Birmingham	r	4	48	Guernsey	f	12	54	Malta	s	19	66
Bristol	c	11	52	Helsinki	f	10	50	Manchstr	r	9	48
Brussels	s	12	54	Innsbruck	c	7	45	Moscow	c	4	39
Budapest	s	13	55	Istanbul	f	19	66	Munich	r	7	45
Naples	c	17	63
Nice	r	14	57
Oslo	r	5	41
Paris	r	12	54
Rome	r	20	68
Rondeuvr	r	11	52
Stockholm	s	6	43
Tel Aviv	r	23	73
Venice	c	18	64
Vienna	c	10	54
Warsaw	r	9	48
Zurich	c	9	48

b—blue sky; bc—half clouded cloudy; c—overcast; f—fog; d—h—hail; m—mist; r—rain; s—th—thunderstorm; sh—showers; sn—general rain with snow.

Sea passages: S North Strait of Dover: Wind NW or moderate; sea slight.

English Channel (E), St Ge Channel: Wind N or NW or moderate; sea slight.

Irish Sea: Wind W or moderate or fresh locally, later; sea slight or mo locally, rough later.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am pm, 14°C (57°F); min, 7 pm am, 6°C (43°F). Humidity 66 per cent. Rain, 24hr to trace. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, Bar, mean sea level, 7 pm millibars, rising.

1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

Overseas selling prices: Austria, Sch 18; Belgium, Fr Canaries, Pes 60; Denmark, Dkr Finland, Fmk 3.25; France, Frs Germany, Dmk 2.50; Greece, D Holland, Dfl 2.00; Hongkong $4.00; Italy, Lire 700; Luxem Lf 25; Madeira, Esc 22.50; Malt Norway, Kr 4.50; Portugal, Spain, Pes 60; Sweden, Skr Switzerland, Sfr 2.50; USA/C $1.00; Yugoslavia, Dm 24.

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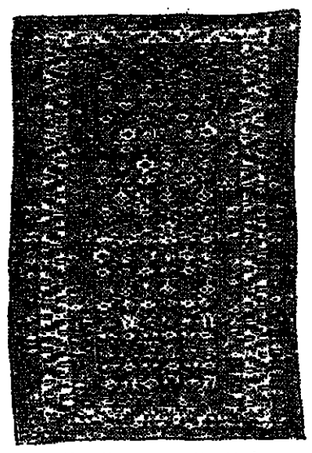
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Thief used computer code

From Our Correspondent
Sheffield

A man used a confidential British Steel Corporation order code to trick a company into parting with electronic equipment valued at £11,000. After he had ordered the equipment from Livingstone Hire Company, of Cayden Road, London, the code was checked by computer and two hours later the equipment was on a train bound for Sheffield.

He collected the boxes, which contained an analyser worth £8,000 which is used to detect television signals, and three general purpose testing units, using the name of Mr B. Cutts.

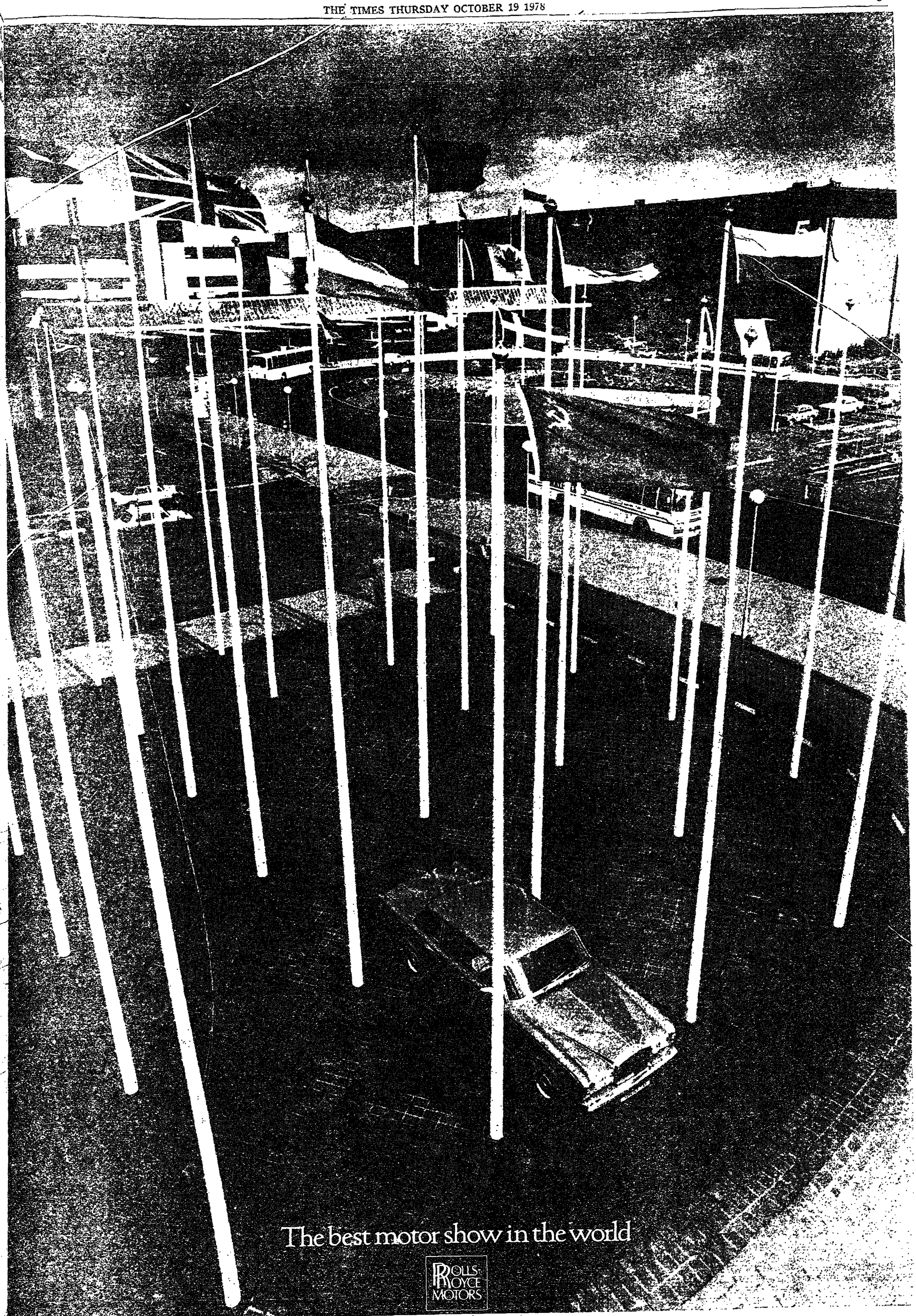
Earlier he had told the company that he worked for BSC's plant at Parkgate, Rotherham, and gave the name of Duckworth.

Detectives believe the man, aged about 26, who collected the equipment in Sheffield had a buyer before the deception was carried out.

Livingstone Hire is offering a reward for information leading to the recovery of the property. A South Yorkshire police officer said yesterday that the equipment might be in the hand of someone who believed he bought it legitimately.

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HOME NEWS

Left accepts ruling by union president that elections were void

By Christopher Thomas
Labour Reporter

The 1,100 branches of the Civil and Public Services Association will soon begin the long process of branch meetings to elect a new national executive committee. A formal request was made to the Civil Service Department yesterday to hold the meetings in working hours.

The dominant left wing of the executive has grudgingly accepted the ruling by Mr Leonard Lever, the president, to hold the elections again and is planning no legal moves.

The propaganda machines of both the left and right are already being prepared for what promises to be a bitterly fought campaign. The right will be fighting for a comeback after its resounding defeat by the Broad Left movement in May.

Local managements will, under an agreement with Civil Service unions, be instructed to allow branch meetings to be held in office hours for the election. Until the results are known in December the full-time union officials have assumed full decision-making responsibility.

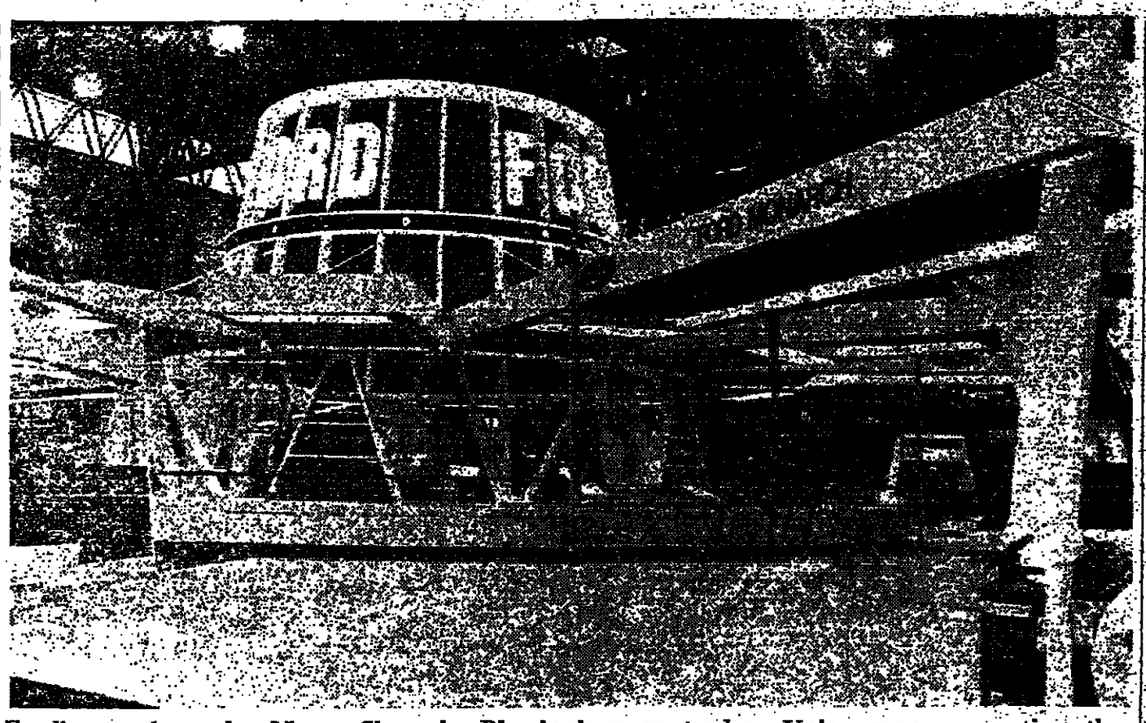
More than 80 candidates stood for the last election in May and the same people will be eligible to stand again this time. Letters will be sent to all candidates in the next few days, asking if they want to stand again.

The full documentation leading up to the decision to dismiss the executive seven months before its term should have ended is being prepared for distribution to the members.

Mr Peter Coltman, the former communist vice-president, who has been replaced by a right-winger, Mrs Kate Losinska, said last night: "We accept the fact that the president has ruled in the way he has. Despite our objections, we recognize that the only recourse open to us is either to take the situation to court or to campaign within the membership.

"As a matter of principle any member of the left would find it difficult to drag the union into court. We want to highlight the fact that we considered ourselves properly elected and that we expect the membership to reelect us."

A presidential ruling that Mr Coltman was "erroneously" elected and thus denied his chance to stand for election to the national executive resulted in the entire executive elections being declared void. Mrs Losinska and her fellow vice-president, Mr Reginald Williams, will not face reelection until May.



Ford's stand at the Motor Show in Birmingham yesterday. Union men supporting the company's strikers refused to allow cars to be displayed. Ford offer, page 22.

Lambeth denies being negligent over girl

By Annabel Ferriman

Lambeth council yesterday strongly denied allegations that it had not properly supervised a girl aged 13 in its care who was attacked and sexually assaulted by a teenage gang last March. It referred criticisms of its conduct to the next meeting of its social services committee on November 7.

The gang, which include two girls also in the council's care, was sentenced at the Central Criminal Court on Tuesday to a total of 33 years imprisonment. Judge King-Hamilton, QC, ordered an investigation, saying that "the girl had been allowed out all night".

His call for an investigation was echoed yesterday by Mrs Jill Knight, Conservative MP for Birmingham, Edgbaston, and Mr Nicholas Fairbairn, QC, Conservative MP for Kinross and West Perthshire, who said that heads should certainly roll.

But at a three-hour meeting yesterday between Mrs Lesley Hammond, chairman of Lambeth Social Services Committee, and Mr Robin Osmond, director of social services, it was decided that, because an investigation had been held at the time of the incident, no second inquiry should be instigated until the social services committee had considered it.

A council official said yesterday that the judge seemed unaware that full inquiry had been held last March. A copy had been sent to the Department of Health and Social Security, which had been satisfied with it.

It was quite untrue to say that the girl had been "allowed" out all night. She had disobeyed a council rule to be back by 10 pm. When she had not arrived back by midnight the police were told.

"As any parent of a teenage son or daughter knows, you can tell them that they have to be back by a certain time, but if they are not there is nothing you can do about it.

"Staying in a council hostel is meant to be a training for life. You cannot shut the children up. If they were locked up there would be great criticisms from the press about it".

The sanctions that the staff had were the same as any parent, which were persuasion and discussion. There was no question of a lack of proper supervision, because there was a high staff-child ratio: the home had 13 girls and 17 staff.

Mr Kenneth Urwin, director of social services for Camden, said yesterday that the "tragic case" highlighted the need for foster-parents for difficult teenagers. A foster-parent who responded well often worked when a residential home did not. The London Boroughs Association had launched a campaign on Monday to attract foster-parents.

Mr John Rea Price, director of social services for Islington, said it was extremely difficult to attract enough mature experienced management staff for the homes. There were plenty of enthusiastic 19-year-olds but they could not sort out some of the difficulties with which the homes had to deal.

"The whole career structure of residential child care requires overhaul and the distinction between field work and residential work requires urgent examination", he said.

Official shelter for young drug addicts opened

By Stewart Tendler

A centre to help homeless drug addicts in London was opened yesterday by Mr Roland Moyle, Minister of State for Health and Social Security. It will receive addicts after they have been treated by hospitals.

Hitherto hospitals have had to release patients on drugs because there was nowhere for them to go. Often they came back, having overdosed themselves again.

Opening the centre officially, Mr Moyle said it would seek to "intervene in this cycle of destruction". Known as City Roads, the project, costing £400,000, has already treated more than 50 addicts since its doors opened in May. It will now widen its catchment area to the various charities dealing with drug abuse in London.

The centre, manned all day and night, provides medical, psychiatric and social services support. More than a third of those admitted so far have stayed for up to three weeks and a quarter have gone on to more permanent accommodation in other shelters.

A research team from Birkbeck College, London University, is working with the centre to collect data on multiple drug abuse. They have already discovered that the barbiturate drugs are the most widely abused by a group with an average age of 24.

The centre, with accommodation for up to 15 people at a time, is being financed for three years by the Department of Health and the London Boroughs Association. Apart from helping young drug addicts, it may provide more information on their numbers.

It is already known that most take two or more differn drugs and alcohol and do not take opiates only. There is no firm figures for the number of addicts but there are indications that the group is growing.

The casualty ward of a big London hospital has dealt with more than 700 attendances from young drug addicts this year and staff expect the figure to reach 1,000 by the end of the year.

Two years ago the same hospital dealt with 800 cases and together with another hospital handled a total of 1,800.

Two sides in hospital dispute meet tomorrow

By John Roper
Health Services
Correspondent

A meeting of all representatives of the management and staff sides of the Whitley Council concerned with the hospital engineers' and supervisors' dispute will be held with the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Services (Acas) tomorrow.

That was agreed when the chairmen of both sides met yesterday at the request of Mr David Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services.

They presented the history and details of the month-long dispute, which has seriously disrupted the National Health Service.

Talks lasting nearly three hours explored each side's attitude to see what prospects might exist for a solution.

It was estimated yesterday that more than 1,500 hospital beds had been closed and more than a hundred of the 2,600 NHS hospitals were admitting emergency cases only.

The 3,500 senior works staff say that in many cases they are paid less than their staff they supervise.

New hospital: Plans were announced yesterday for a new £1m independent hospital in Northampton. The Three Shires Hospital will accommodate 30 patients and will be non-profit-making.

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Parents buy a school

By Annabel Ferriman

Parents of children at Madingley, a village school in Cambridgeshire, yesterday secured its future by buying the building at auction for £39,500. The money was provided by a secret benefactor.

The school, which began in 1844 and has only 14 pupils was threatened with closure earlier this year when Cambridgeshire education authority decided it was too expensive to run. The council withdrew its funds in July, but the parents launched a campaign to save it.

Since September 11 the school has been meeting in the village cricket pavilion every day, with a qualified headmistress appointed and paid by the parents.

It will now move back to the newly acquired building and parents will begin a drive to raise the £7,000 a year needed to run it.

Firing of rubber bullets indicates a change in the Government's security policy in Ulster

RUC moves to forefront in riot control

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

The drab streets of the Lenadoon estate, on the western outskirts of Belfast, once the setting for the breakdown of one of the fragile ceasefires between the Provisional IRA and the Army, illustrated last Sunday the significant change in the Government's security policy.

For the first time since British troops were sent into Ulster in 1969, rubber bullets (or "baton rounds" as they are officially described) were fired by members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary to disperse a stone-throwing mob.

In contrast to the police restraint to which rioters have become accustomed, more than 500 RUC men were present, dressed in heavy protective clothing and equipped with 6ft transparent shields.

As the loud reports from the ugly, snub-nosed riot guns rang out above the din of the fighting, they provided the strongest evidence yet seen of the change in roles between police and Army which has been taking place gradually over the past two years.

Variously described in official circles as "restoring the primacy of the police" and "Ulsterization", the policy was explained in a lengthy classified document called "The Way Ahead", which laid down a timetable for the RUC to assume once again the prime position in handling the province's frequent bouts of civil unrest.

The first indications of change came in May last year when the police, often accused of being a pro-Protestant force, were used to quell street disturbances by gangs of "loyalist" strikers. Final proof that the policy has firmly taken hold came during ugly riots in Belfast and Londonderry over the past 10 days, which have left nearly 150 RUC men injured, some seriously.

Although British troops were still in evidence, it has now been agreed at a senior level that Army snatch squads will be pressed into action only when the violence becomes "uncontrollable".

Such are the complexities of Ulster politics that the return to the front line of the RUC, a force that is almost 90 per cent Protestant in composition, has come in for the fiercest criticism from followers of the Rev Ian Paisley.

The angry loyalists maintain that the force has shown that it is more willing to clamp down on them than on extreme republicans.

The criticism has been rejected by the English-born Chief Constable, Sir Kenneth Newman.

As well as moving to the forefront in riot control, the RUC is now much more frequently seen on patrol in notorious republican strongholds. But it is still too deeply resented by many Roman Catholics for politicians to be able to predict a date when normal policing can be resumed in the former "no-go" areas. In the meantime, further dilution of the Army's role is confidently expected.

IRA jail allegations rejected in Dublin

Allegations of brutality and ill treatment ofpr isoners at Portloaise, where IRA prisoners are held in the Republic of Ireland, were rejected yesterday by a government-appointed group.

A report by the Irish Prison Visitors Committee said that in 17 visits to the jail last year, many made without warning, conditions were constantly found to be satisfactory.

"We are satisfied that the allegations were false, completely inaccurate and ill conceived", the committee said.

Prisoners' rights organizations, civil liberty groups and political supporters of the Provisional IRA are among those to have complained.

Mr Roy Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, yesterday rejected demands for the restoration of political status for terrorist prisoners.

Of the IRA and "loyalist" prisoners in Ulster, Mr Mason said: "They may protest, they may impose upon themselves conditions of squalor, they may attempt to arouse sympathies for their plight. But on the basic issue of special category there can be no concession."

52pc prefer a mixed economy

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

A mixture of state and private ownership in industry was preferred by a majority (52 per cent) in an opinion poll simple commissioned by leading businesses and published yesterday.

However, larger majorities responded that nationalization had not been a success in Britain (67 per cent against 22 per cent) and that further nationalization would not be in the national interest (76 per cent against 14 per cent).

The sample majority (56 per cent) taken in three Labour and two Conservative marginal seats last September also wanted a middle-of-the-road government to emerge from the next election; 20 per cent wanted a government following right-wing policies, 8 per cent were for left-wing policies.

The survey was commissioned in the hope of making an impact on the election campaign by an ad hoc committee of businessmen set up by Lord Plowden, president of Tube Investments. About a hundred private companies contributed sums ranging from £5,000 to £100, according to Mr T. F. Thompson, chairman of Opinion Research Centre (ORC), which conducted the poll.

However, one of its results is of interest to the Opposition. The sample of voters declaring themselves Conservative preferred (51 pe rcent) a middle-of-the-road government to one following right-wing policies (36 per cent); the Labour voter sample, by contrast, produced only 17 per cent for left-wing policies.

By 63 to 39 per cent, the sample agreed that Mr Callaghan's government had been a moderate one, although 57 per cent agreed that that was because he had no majority in parliament.

Only 36 per cent of the sample recognized that they lived in a marginal constituency; 38 per cent thought that their seat was a safe one.

The survey had been limited to 3,000 people in five marginal seats once Mr Calaghan had anounced that there would be no election this autumn, Mr Thompson said. It would be resmued in other parts of the country. The money contributed had left "considerably more" than had been needed for his first barch of marginals.

Lord Plowden was at pains yesterday to emphasize that the group was not "anti-nationalization"; it believed, he said, that the present balance in our society, between the public and private sectors, should be maintained. A further tilt towards public ownership would "weaken the ability of the wealth-creating private sector to do its job".

The sears surveyed, with their October, 1974, majorities were:

Labour: Coventry, South West (2,118); Huddersfield, West (1,364); and Rochester and Chatham (2,418).

Conservative: Bosworth (302); andRoumslow, Brentford and Isleworth (232).

Fewer controls suggested for depressed areas

By Our Political
Correspondent

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Conservative MP for Cirencester and Tewkesbury, last night developed the suggestion of Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, the shadow Chancellor, that several "enterprise zones" should be established to restorde life to some of the most depressed urban areas.

Mr Ridley, speaking to the Kingston upon Thames businessmen's club, said that areas such as Clydeside, Merseyside and dockland were suffering from an absence of speculation. Enterprise zones should be set up in a handful of the most depressed areas and private enterprise given a real chance to succeed.

That could be done with a minimum of planning controls, regulations, forms and circulars. The hierarchy of applications, permissions, appeals, delays and confirmations should be avoided while industrial development certificates and office development permits should be abolished.

Wage, price and rent control, the restrictive parts of the Employment Protection Act, and perhaps even rates should not apply. There should be no government grants or subsidies.

Life is returning to river in the Black Country

By a Staff Reporter

Ten years ago most local observers would have reckoned that there was more chance of walking on the waters of the river Tame than catching fish in it, so grossly polluted was it.

Yet life is returning to the river, which flows through the Black Country and Birmingham. Yesterday the Severn-Trent Water Authority proudly displayed the catch from a recent netting operation, proof that a mixed population of chub, dace, roach and gudgeon has returned to the lower stretches of the Tame. Moreover, five angling clubs have leased stretches of the river.

Details of improvements are given in the authority's water quality report, published yesterday. It shows that the level of ammonia, which kills fish, has gone down in the Tame at Chetwynd, near Tamworth, from an average of 5.7 mg a litre in 1971-73 to 3mg now. The level of dissolved oxygen has increased by almost a third.

Once the Tame was so dirtied by poisonous industrial wastes accumulated during its progress through the West Midlands, that on entering the Trent between Rugeley and Burton it prevented fish from surviving downstream up to where the Trent was refreshed by the waters of the Dove.

It is possible that in 10 years improvements will spread upstream sufficiently for fish to survive in the Tame as it passes through Birmingham.

The authority hopes to spend £40m over that period. Part will go on the Black Country scheme, which involves closing outdated works and the piping of sewage through to Minworth, east of Birmingham.

Work is expected to start soon on the first of a series of purification lakes, through which the Tame will be diverted. Similar methods have been used in the Ruhr valley.

Significant improvements are also reported in the river Stirine, in Salop, and the Avon.

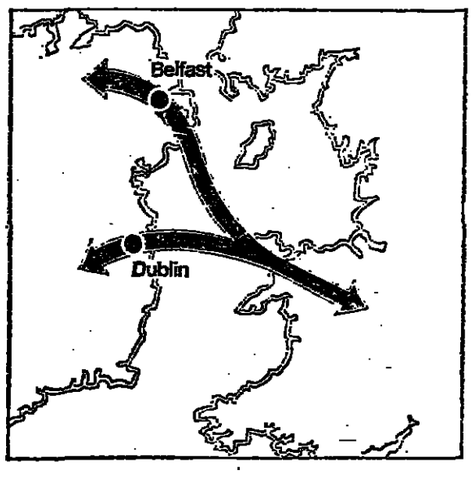
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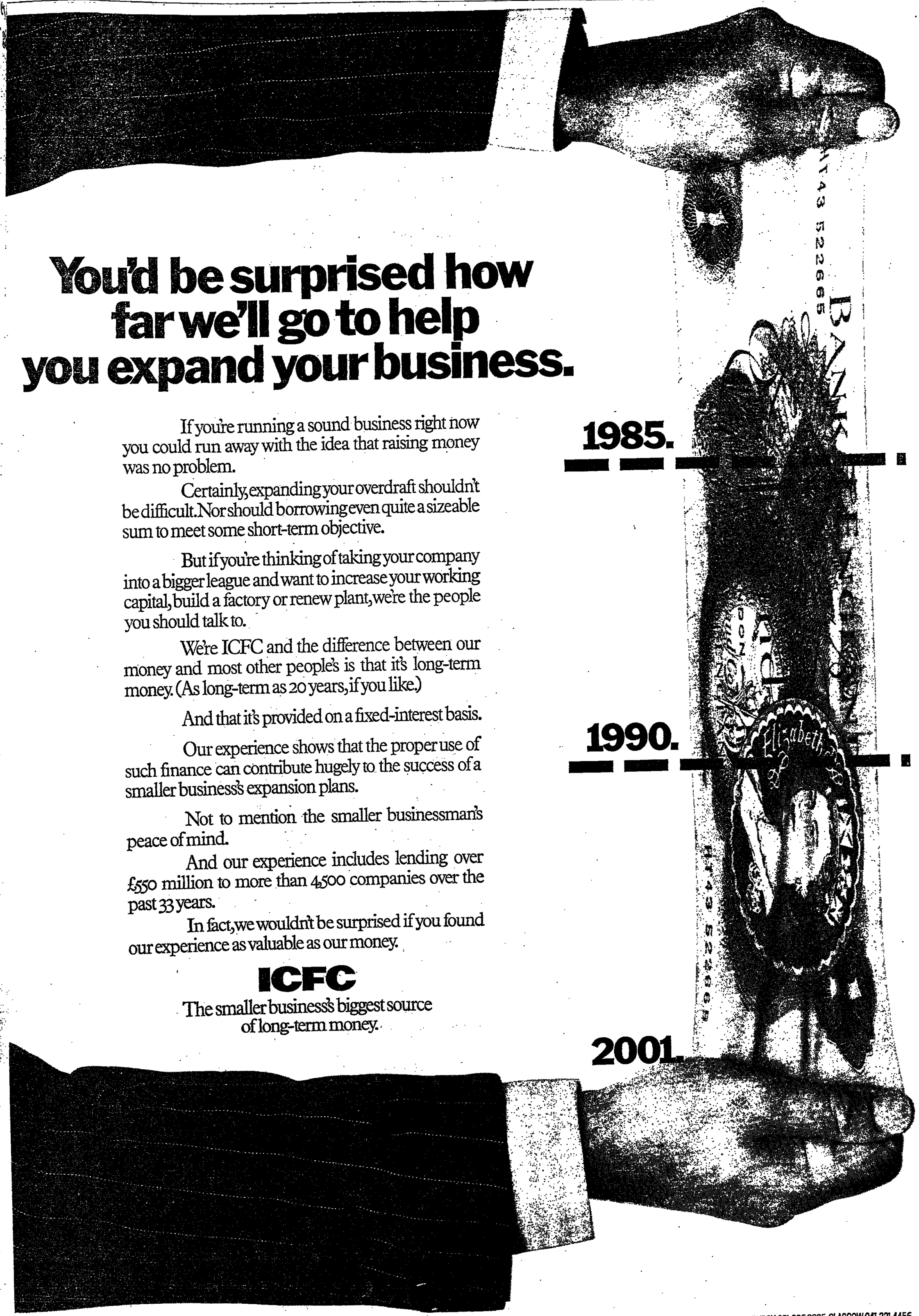
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HOME NEWS

Asian community must trust and help police, Sir David McNee says

By Peter Evans

Sir David McNee, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, has appealed to Asians to trust the police. One of his officers, Supt John Wallis, community liaison officer in the East End, has left for the Indian subcontinent to study life-style there.

Relationships have suffered because many Asians want more done to protect them against attacks, but the police deny that they are not doing all they can. On Saturday, the Steering Committee of Asian Organisations against Racism, based in east London, Essex and Kent, is calling a protest meeting to discuss, among other things "the failure of the police to apprehend the enormous number of racist attackers of Asian people and their properties".

Sir David, who has met several leaders of the Bengali community in Tower Hamlets, yesterday issued a plea to London's Asian communities: "Trust us and help us."

"From our own inquiries and from other sources it seems clear that offences are being committed against Asian citizens which are not being reported to the police.

"Because we are short of police in London we cannot put as many officers on the streets as we need in order to prevent these crimes. Nor, unfortunately, can we guarantee that offenders will always be caught. But if crimes are not reported to us at all the criminals will never be caught and we shall not know where best to use the officers we have.

"You have my promise that the Metropolitan Police will do everything within their power to see that you are able to live peacefully in your homes and go about London without fear of being assaulted."

Mr Wallis, on his six-week visit to the Indian subcontinent, wants to find out what difficulties Asian immigrants are likely to face when living in a Western community and to gain ideas that will help communications between the police and Asians in the East End.

One of his main objectives will be to study the police system in Bangladesh and relationships with the local community there. The visit is the result of a bursary awarded by the Commission for Racial Equality.

CO to be reprimanded for grounding submarine

The commanding officer of a submarine that touched the bottom of a Scottish loch was sentenced at a Portsmouth court martial yesterday to be reprimanded.

The bump dented four torpedo tubes on the patrol submarine Oracle but the hull remained intact and the vessel rose safely to the surface. It happened during trials in the narrow Loch Fyne, in Strathclyde.

The court was told that Lieutenant David Tall was turning the Oracle at more than 200ft instead of periscope depth because he wanted to avoid a yacht.

But, the court was told, the echo sounder was not continuously manned to keep Lieutenant Tall informed of the distance between the submarine and the seabed.

Instead, an inexperienced Sub-Lieutenant was looking after two other vital pieces of equipment as well as the echo sounder. His first sounding was clearly inaccurate and before he could make another the submarine grounded.

Lieutenant Tall, aged 32, from Gosport, who admitted negligence, was described as a promising young officer with a bright future who had made a rare mistake.

Trawler ran on rocks as helmsman made tea

Christopher Lidstone, aged 19, a trawlerhand, left his post in the wheelhouse to make tea and a few minutes later the £40,000 trawler was shattered on the rocks, magistrates at Kingsbridge, Devon, were told yesterday.

The trawler was completely wrecked, and a rescue operation involving a frigate, a helicopter, a lifeboat and a Dutch salvage vessel had to be mounted, Mr Henry Bradshaw, prosecuting for the Department of Trade, said.

Mr Lidstone, of Mount Road, Brixham, Devon, admitted failing to steer a safe course and seriously damaging the 40-ton trawler, Yvette. He was fined £75 and ordered to pay £100 costs.

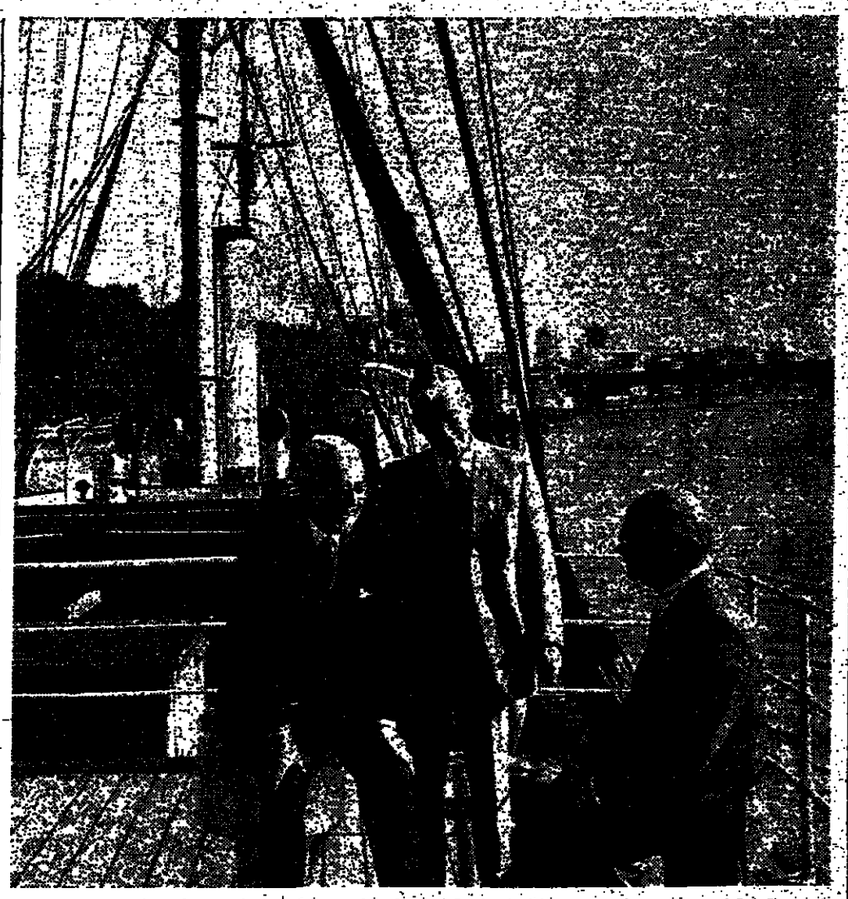
Mr Bradshaw said Mr Lidstone and two of the crew were rescued by breeches buoy. Mr Michael Thomas, owner and skipper of the trawler was lifted to safety by a helicopter.

The trawler left Brixham early on March 12, Mr Bradshaw said. Mr Lidstone steered her towards fishing grounds south of the Eddystone rocks while the rest of the crew slept. He noticed that the radar was not working correctly, and decided to call the skipper.

He thought he would make tea first, but soon after he got back to the wheelhouse the Yvette ran aground. He later told a Department of Trade investigator: "I was away for about 10 minutes. I did not think I was in any danger. I thought I had locked the wheel. I love the sea, it has been my life since leaving school and this could finish me."

Mr Edward Lidstone, the defendant's father, said: "He was so worried about the failure of the radar that he lost concentration. It was a blunder of the first magnitude, which he now bitterly regrets.

The defendant said he had another job as a deck hand on Brixham trawlers and was earning between £80 and £100 a week.



Sir Vivian Fuchs, the explorer (centre) on board the Discovery yesterday with the sons of two early Antarctic explorers, Lord Shackleton (left) and Sir Peter Scott.

Discovery's future assured

By Kenneth Gosling

The future of Captain Scott's Antarctic ship, the Discovery, which has been slowly rotting at her moorings on Victoria Embankment, London, is assured. Yesterday, at a ceremony on board, attended by the sons of the famous men who sailed in her, she was handed over to her new owner, the Maritime Trust, which will spend the next year looking for a new berth so that she can be dry-docked and turned into a museum ship.

A national appeal for £850,000 has realized £430,000, and promises include an offer by the Greater London Council of £1 for every £4 given, up to a maximum of £100,000.

Lord Shackleton, son of Sir Ernest and Sir Peter Scott, son of Captain Scott, were among the guests who crowded into the cramped quarters below-decks to hear Admiral Sir Terence Lewin, Chief of Naval Staff and First Sea Lord, announce that the Secretary of State for Defence had approved the free transfer of ownership to the trust from April 2, 1979, the trust having to restore and preserve the Discovery exclusively for use as a museum.

The Discovery was launched in 1901 and was used to accomplish more than any other British vessel in the exploration of the Antarctic, as Mr Basil Greenhill, director of the National Maritime Museum, which will refit her as a museum, explained.

When funds could be found, she would become a gallery of exploration and discovery, with displays telling the story of man's exploration of the seas.

Contributions may be sent to the Director of the Maritime Trust, 16 Ebury Street, London SW1W 0LH.

Volunteers in social services 'restricted'

By Pat Healy
Social Service Correspondent

There is little chance of increasing the number of volunteers working with social workers unless there are fundamental changes in the organization of local authority social services. That is the main conclusion of the first study to examine the use of volunteers in the social services.

The study, commissioned by the British Association of Social Workers, found that most social workers had positive views about the use of volunteers but that the structure of their local social service departments was the main obstacle. Although just over a half of all social workers used volunteers to help with their clients, most of them were the most junior and inexperienced with large case loads.

More senior social workers shed volunteers as they moved up the promotion ladder and no longer had case loads. Volunteers were used by social workers mainly to help their elderly and disabled clients with practical activities or befriending.

That, says the report of the study published today, reflects the low status given to some clients in the social services. Most social workers, the report points out, prefer to work with children and with families.

"Clients of lower status, as seen by social workers, tend to be allocated to the lower ranks of social work personnel, including volunteers," the report says. "This takes for granted that elderly and physically handicapped people need less skilled help."

By contrast, many more probation officers use volunteers, have direct contact with them and use them for more skilled and complementary tasks to their own. Seven probation officers out of 10 use volunteers, partly because the probation and after-care service has actively promoted their use for the past decade.

The evidence suggests, the report says, that limitations on the use of volunteers in social service derive less from the attitudes or lack of skills of social workers than from the present system of organization and management of social services departments. The only indisputable indication that the future demand for volunteers in social service departments is the rising number of elderly people in the population.

"An increasing proportion of social work staff may be expected to have elderly clients in their case-loads," the report says. "This factor alone may be assumed to raise the demand for volunteers. Whether it will also raise the numbers used by local authority social workers is less certain."

Social Workers and Volunteers, by Anthea Hedge and Joan Maizels (Allen and Unwin). £7.50 hardback; £3.50 paperback.

Assistant defends doctor against rape charge

A doctor's assistant told a jury at St Albans Crown Court yesterday that she had been with him at the time he is accused of raping a woman patient in his surgery. She said she stayed with the doctor during the whole time he took to fit the woman with a contraceptive coil.

The patient was unconscious and the assistant stayed with her until she revived, the jury was told. As the patient woke up, the doctor said to her "It is all over now, the coil's been fitted". The woman, the assistant said, "smiled and said 'Thank you'".

It is alleged that the doctor, aged 55, raped the woman, aged 33, after drugging her unconscious with an injection of Epontol as she lay on a couch in his examination room.

Earlier, the patient said that she had gone to the doctor's surgery on March 10 during her lunch hour to have the coil fitted. She became unconscious from the effects of the drug and when she recovered she realized that the doctor was having intercourse with her. She said that at no time did she see the assistant in the room.

The assistant told the jury yesterday that she went into the room just as the patient was losing consciousness, and she helped the doctor by holding the woman's legs.

When the patient had recovered consciousness she covered her with a dressing gown. The doctor had asked her to "keep an eye on her for a while", and she stayed in the examination room and began tidying up.

The trial was halted soon after the lunch adjournment when the doctor's assistant became ill and was taken to hospital. The jury had previously heard that she had had a heart attack earlier this year.

After the case had been resumed a dental assistant, aged 22, who was called as a defence witness, said that she was given Epontol when she went to the doctor's surgery for an internal operation. She quickly became unconscious, and as she revived she experienced strange hallucinations. "When I opened my eyes the doctor's face was distorted grotesquely and fluorescent green in colour", she said. "He appeared to be lying on top of me."

The case was adjourned until today.

Diagnosis delay is to be investigated

From Our Correspondent
Sheffield

Doctors took nearly 16 years to diagnose a rare condition which is slowly sending three children blind. Yesterday their parents learnt that a committee of inquiry is to be set up by Trent Regional Health Authority.

For months Mr Barry Hoden, of Lansdale Road, Rotherham, South Yorkshire, and his wife, have been seeking an inquiry. The committee will "investigate the circumstances surrounding the care and treatment of the Hoden children and the present arrangements in Rotherham for dealing with such cases" and make recommendations.

The children, Tina, aged 16, Dianne, aged 15, and Harry, aged 13 were born with extra fingers or toes, indicating a condition known as the Laurence-Moon-Biedl syndrome. Sheffield specialists diagnosed the condition last May.

Mr David Woodrow, a solicitor and former chairman of Oxford Regional Health Authority, will chair the inquiry. The members will be Dr Janet Hunter, a Grimsby consultant paediatrician, and Dr Doris Story, specialist in community medicine with North Tyneside Area Health Authority.

Our Medical Correspondent writes: Laurence-Moon-Biedl syndrome is a rare inherited disease affecting the eyes, brain and sex glands. The condition occurs only when both parents are carriers of the genetic defect, so is most common in inbred communities. Affected children seem normal at birth (though sometimes they have extra fingers or toes), but they soon become obviously overweight.

The sex glands are inactive, and there may be mental retardation.

Aid for island

The Highlands and Islands Development Board is to give £4,00 0and a grant of £4,800 towards administration costs so that a community cooperative may ybe set up on the siland of Vatersay (population 110) in the Outer Hebrides.

Girl of 13 raped after threat with breadknife

A young man and three boys sexually attacked a girl of 13 after threatening her with a breadknife, the Crown alleged at Manchester Crown Court yesterday.

Mr Christopher Rose, QC, for the prosecution, said the knife was thrust against the face of the terrified girl before she was held down by two of her assailants. One of the gang raped her.

He said the girl had watched television and listened to records at one of the defendant's homes before she was stopped from leaving and assaulted.

Brian Walsh, aged 18, of Hindley, Lancashire, was jailed by Mr Justice Hollings, for five years. A 16-year-old was ordered to be detained for three years; and the two others, both aged 14, were each sent to a detention centre for six months.

Brian Walsh, the 16-year-old and one of the 14-year-olds all admitted raping the girl. The other 14-year-old pleaded guilty to indecent assault.

Guernsey man on exchange control charges

From Our Correspondent
St Peter Port

Charles F. Graham-Watson, aged 47, a Guernsey company director, was remanded on bail of £40,000 at Guernsey Magistrates' Court yesterday when he and one of his companies were charged with 10 offences under the Exchange Control Act, as extended in 1947 to the Channel Islands.

Mr Graham-Watson, of Calais House, St Martin's, Guernsey, was also ordered to surrender his passport and to swear that he would not leave the island or communicate with witnesses.

Seven of the alleged offences, which date from 1969, relate to the Reliance Corporation of Liberia and involve sums in United States dollars, sterling and Swiss francs totalling about £30,000. One of the charges relates to Calais & Partners, of Guernsey, of which Mr Graham-Watson is a director, and three allege making false statement contrary to the Act.

Explosion kills electrician

Mr John Peters, aged 47, an electrical fitter, was killed in an explosion at an electricity substation at Newton Abbot, Devon, yesterday.

Mr Neil Berryman, aged 36, Mr Peters's workmate, was treated in hospital for burned hands.

The explosion, at the 33,000-volt substation on an industrial estate, cut power to households in Newton Abbot and Torquay, seven miles away, for more than an hour.

Mr Bert Adams, an ice cream factory worker, heard the explosion and ran to the substation.

He said: "I saw what I at first took to be a burning pile of rags. I got an extinguisher from the factory and went to help in putting out the flames."

Mr Peters, a married man, lived in Paignton and worked for the Central Electricity Generating Board at Plymouth.

The CEGB said a regional board of inquiry into the accident would be set up today.

Sir Richard reveals a 'political trick' behind decision on rural rail lines

By Michael Baily
Transport Correspondent

Sir Richard Marsh, while he was chairman of British Rail, played a "slightly underhand political trick" on Mr John Peyton, the Conservative Minister of Transport, to keep rural railway lines from being closed, Sir Richard discloses in his memoirs today.

He prepared a series of possible railway networks, "the most efficient looking much like the one that Lord Beeching had proposed a few years earlier, and spent a morning convincing Mr Peyton that they all would cost the taxpayer a great deal of money.

Then he invited him back in the afternoon and superimposed on the smaller network a political map showing Conservative and Labour areas in blue and pink.

"He (Mr Peyton) suddenly realized that all the closed lines were in rural areas and by sheer coincidence happened to be Conservative seats", Sir Richard recalls. "He said something to the effect, 'Well I don't know why you didn't show me this at the beginning, and why we wasted all that time this morning'."

The reason for keeping those lines open remains overwhelmingly political today, Sir Richard says. "If the Welsh and Scottish nationalists achieve nothing else they can claim to be responsible for the retention of some of the most uneconomic and socially unnecessary railway services in the country."

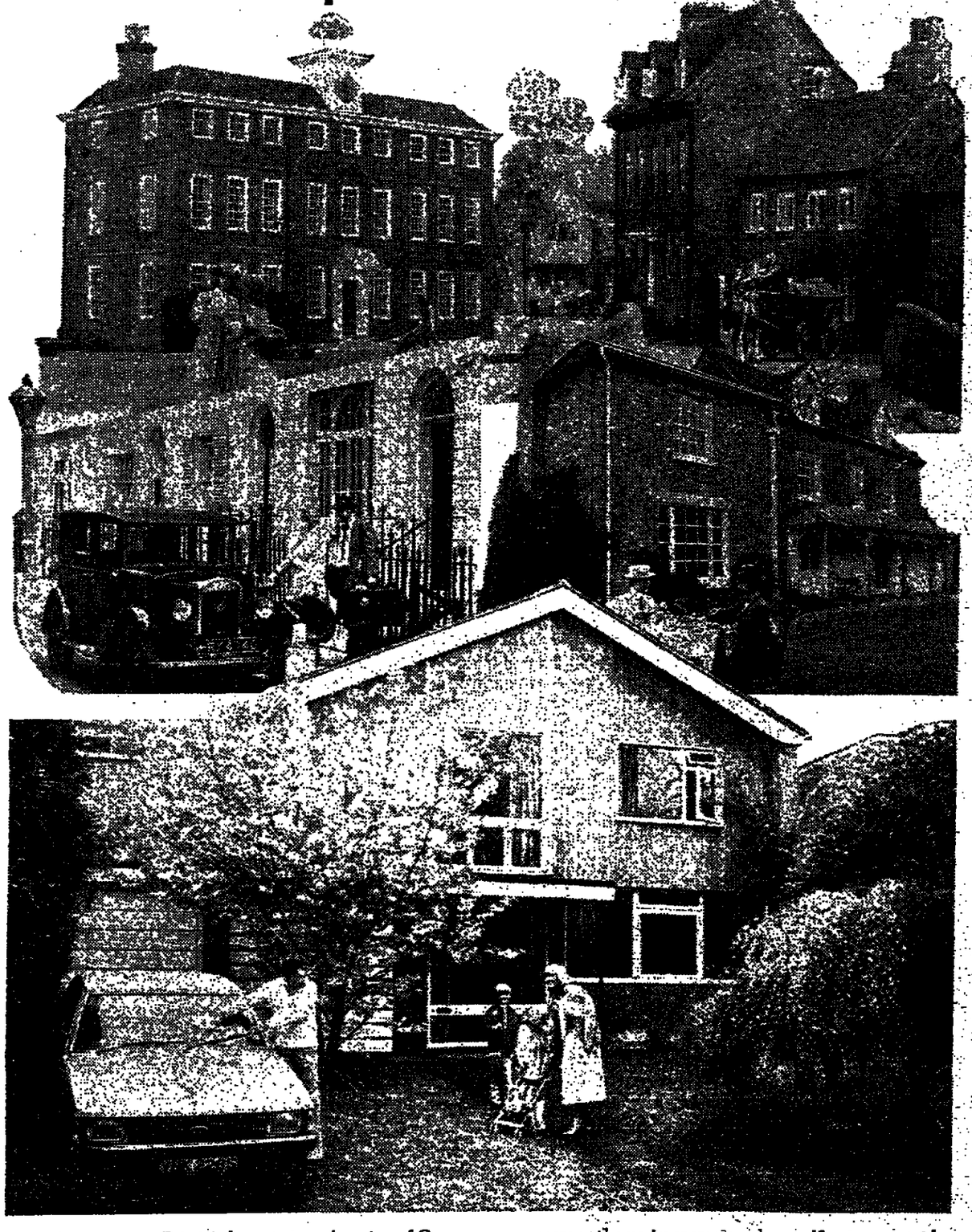
Sir Richard says Labour's plan for "nationalizing Britain's ports was largely the result of pressure from the dock unions to bring efficient ports such as like Felixstowe and Shoreham into public ownership. "The reason why the unions wanted those ports brought into the scheme was simply because their efficiency represented a threat to the less viable ports."

When he succeeded Mrs Barbara Castle as Minister of Transport he opposed the move. After a "long and hectic series of wrangles" in Cabinet his view prevailed and the ports were left out.

He recounts how he nearly appointed Mr T. Dan Smith, the Newcastle Labour leader and businessman who was later imprisoned, as chairman of the National Freight Corporation. Knowing him superficially as a "popular figure in the Labour Party and a man of enormous personality and drive", he offered him the job. But to Sir Richard's disappointment Mr Smith refused the job because he "did not want to be a bureaucrat and in any case the salary was totally inadequate."

Off the Rails, by Richard Marsh (Weidenfeld and Nicolson). £6.95.

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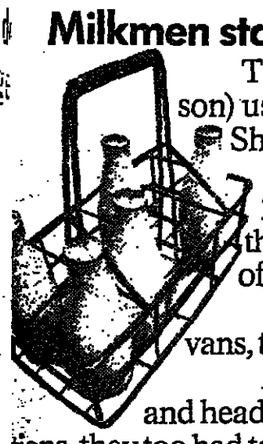
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Moving the obstruction took 1½ hours.

By then visibility was down to about 3 feet.

Snow drifts encountered were reaching windreen height. Although now only two miles from me they reluctantly sought refuge for the night in a arby cottage. Next day, after digging out, brushing ifted snow off plugs and points, their Sherpa started rst time.

In their own words: "Long live the Sherpa."

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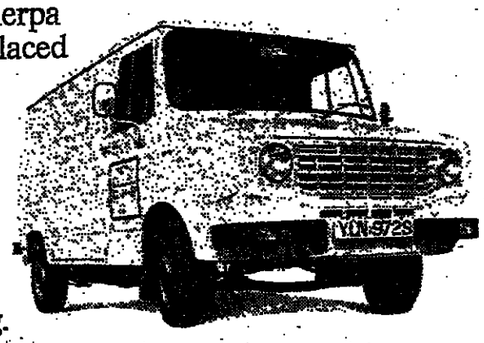
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HOME NEWS

Dairies urged to break pay code to maintain doorstep deliveries

By Hugh Clayton
Agriculture Correspondent

Dairy companies must go well beyond government guidelines in their Phase Four wage awards to almost 50,000 milkmen, the Dairy Trade Federation said yesterday. The growing shortage of milkmen threatened doorstep milk deliveries more seriously than opposition throughout the EEC to the role of British milk marketing boards.

"The present situation is real, insidious and much more menacing", Mr Ben Davies, the president, told, the annual lunch of the federation. "This year we have experienced very great difficulty in manning our rounds and providing relief staff to give days off."

He would not specify how much more than 5 per cent the companies would have to pay in the award in April. The Government, which controls the maximum retail price of bottled milk, could easily impose sanctions

He thought that milkmen's wages should at least equal the average in manufacturing industry, which might require rises of up to 10 per cent to judge from figures Mr Davies gave for hourly rates. Hundreds of families in London had lost their milk deliveries this year because his company, Unigate, had not enough dairy supervisors.

He appealed to the Government for help and described the position of the industry as "a case for elasticity, otherwise the rope will break". In countries where doorstep deliveries had ceased, bottled milk sales had fallen by up to 30 per cent. "The effect on the whole dairy economy would be very serious indeed", Mr Davies said.

Mr Gavin Strang, Parliamentary Secretary at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said: "I do undertake to report your views to the Department of Employment, who are involved with you in these vexed issues".

He gave a cautious welcome to plans by the EEC Commission to curb milk prices and to limit surpluses. He said Community spending on dairy farming last year was equivalent to £80 for each of the 25 million dairy cows in the EEC. The surpluses represented "a monstrous misuse of economic resource".

Literacy lifeline is to be extended to numeracy

The telephone lifeline service that has helped 50,000 adults who cannot read and write properly is to be extended to aid those who cannot add up or understand English.

The Adult Literacy Support Services Fund yesterday announced new initiatives that will take in commercial television and, it is hoped, newspaper and magazine companies.

Since 1976 the fund has helped 50,000 non-readers and 20,000 volunteer tutors to become part of the United Kingdom Adult Literacy Campaign. Adults seeing the fund's telephone numbers at the end of BBC television programmes such as *On the Move* have been put in touch with the nearest local literacy scheme.

The fund is to extend its activities to adult numeracy and the teaching of English as a second language.

The fund's telephone numbers in London, Glasgow, Belfast and Caerphilly will in future be shown at the end of *Parosi*, the BBC programme for Asian women needing help with English.

The fund also announced that from October 28 its telephone numbers would appear after Yorkshire Television's nationally networked *Make it Count* series for adults who have difficulties with numbers.

It will be the fund's first collaborative venture with independent television. It hopes it will be the first of many joint ventures with the commercial companies in adult basic education.

The fund said yesterday that next year it will be approaching newspaper and magazine companies to explore possible joint initiatives.

The appointment of Miss Leslie Morphy as the fund's new chief executive was announced yesterday. She was formerly head of the education and welfare department of the National Union of Students.

Union to discuss 'Frankenstein' experiments

The risk of a man-made organism accidentally infecting the population with a new disease are to be discussed at a conference organized by the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, of which thousands of members work on genetic engineering experiments.

Mr Clive Jenkins, the union's general secretary, said yesterday that experiments should be monitored closely. "We are absolutely determined that our Dr Frankensteins should work under the strictest and cleanest possible political controls", he said.

In genetic engineering the scientist combines a gene from an animal, plant or bacterium with a virus in such a way that the virus is tricked into thinking that the extra gene is part of its own genetic make-up.

"The present experiments could be of huge value to mankind but we are also concerned that new forms of life could be produced which could be of *great danger* because they might be virulent or toxic or allergic, or might have increased resistance to drug treatment", Mr Jenkins said.

The one-day conference on October 27, "Genetic engineering: the social and safety implications", will be addressed by academics involved in the research and by Mrs Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

BBC will reply soon to Sir Harold

By a Staff Reporter

Sir Michael Swann, chairman of the BBC, is expected to reply soon to a letter from Sir Harold Wilson complaining about the BBC's decision to show an interview given by him in a Canadian television programme which ended in the former PrimeMinister cutting the interview short.

It was shown in the *Tonight* programme and in news bulletins at the end of September. Sir Harold's letter to the BBC chairman was private and the BBC said yesterday that Sir Michael's reply would also be private.

Sir Harold gave the interview to a Canadian Broadcasting Corporation programme in Toronto. He was being questioned about his role in the failure of oil sanctions against Rhodesia when he cut the exchange short with the words, "I really cannot be treated like this." He asked for the cameras to be stopped.

The BBC's reply is likely to be that it receives news film *from sources all round the* world and saw no reason for not showing what was an obviously newsworthy item.

Commuters' choice

A single ticket to cover travel on buses, trains and river ferries operated by Merseyside Passenger Transport will be introduced on October 29.

WEST EUROPE

Women fill third of Cabinet posts in Sweden

From Roger Choate
Stockholm, Oct 18

Mr Ola Ullsten, the new Swedish Prime Minister, today named his Cabinet in which one third of the ministers are women. "Equality of status between men and women is one of the vital premises of this Government's policy", Mr Ullsten explained.

In a statement of his minority Liberal Government's policy he told the Swedish Parliament that "all community work must incorporate a bid for greater equality. Men and women must have equal opportunities and equal responsibilities". Women's rights have long been championed by the Liberals who hold 39 seats in the 349-seat Parliament.

The key Cabinet posts are, however, being filled by men in Sweden's first Liberal Government since 1932. Mr Ullsten succeeds Mr Thorbjörn Fälldin, whose Centre-Right coalition Government collapsed on October 5 because of irreconcilable differences over nuclear policy.

Mr Hans Blix, the internationally known diplomat, was named as Foreign Minister. In recent years he has figured prominently in international disarmament conferences and is chairman of the governing body of the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute.

Mr Blix would be expected to play an important role in determining whether neutral Sweden should seek more intimate ties with the EEC in view of its possible expansion.

Swedish industry, which is slowly recovering from the most serious economic crisis since the 1930s, will be shepherded by Mr Erik Huss, the new Industry Minister and a provincial governor. He has been active in business and banking circles since the Second World War.

Mr Lars de Geer, appointed Defence Minister, is expected to make a decision soon on whether Sweden should bring in a new generation of domestically produced jet fighters. The B3LA project is being fiercely debated because of the enormous projected cost.

Mr Ingemar Mundebo remains Budget Minister but was also appointed Economic Minister.

Birgit Friggebo retains her post as Housing Minister and other women in the Cabinet are Hedda Lindahl, the deputy Social Welfare Minister; Anitha Bondestam, Minister for Communications; Marianne Wahlberg, Personnel Relations Minister; Birgit Rodhe, Deputy Education Minister and Eva Winther, deputy Labour Market Minister.

It is known that the women in Mr Ullsten's Cabinet would prefer the designation "Ms" in the English language.

Other ministers are Mr Sven Romanus, who retains his post at the Justice Ministry; Mr Gabriel Romanus, a relative, Social Welfare Minister; Mr Jan-Erik Wikstrom, retained as Education Minister; Mr Eric Enlund, Agriculture Minister; Mr Hadar Cars, Trade Minister, Mr Rolf Wirten, Labour Market Minister; Mr Bertil Hansson, County Affairs Minister, and Mr Carl Tham, who as "Coordination Minister" must deal with the nuclear energy question which has divided Sweden for years.

Safety problems involving nuclear reactors ultimately brought down the previous Government. Mr Ullsten, in his policy statement, said today that one of his foremost tasks involves "enhancing the security and reliability of our energy supplies".

He added that "the concern felt by many people over the hazards of nuclear power and other types of energy should be taken by us as a call to establish the greatest possible measure of security".

No changes in Sweden's policy of neutrality and non-alignment were expected. However, Mr Ullsten said that foreign aid must be increased.



Photographs by Brian H

The 1978 wine harvest is nearing completion in the Champagne vineyards. Above (left) a remuer in the cellars Moet et Chandon at Epernay turns the bottles during the second fermentation which produces the characteristic spark Workers in the Pommery vineyards at Ay, near Epernay, are gathering and sorting the last of the Pinot Noir grapes.



King invites minister to form Cabinet

Brussels, Oct 18.—King Baudouin has asked Mr Paul Van Den Boeynants, the Defence Minister, to form a new Government, the Royal Palace announced today. He would be replacing tthe four-party coalition of Mr Tindemans, who resigned on October 11.

Mr Van Den Boeynants, aged 59, asked the King for time to think it over before giving his final answer. Political sources said his answer was expected within 24 hours.

Mr Tindemans resigned when the coalition partners split over whether a proposed devolution Bill was in conformity with the constitution.

After consulting political *leaders, the King asked Mr Van* Den Boeynants on Friday to sound out the political parties on ways to resolve the Government crisis.

Mr Van Den Boeynants, who like Mr Tindemans belongs to the Social Christian Party, held extensive talks with party leaders and reported back to the King today.

The split between the coalition partners—the Social Christians, the Socialists, the Brussels French-speaking Democratic Front and the Flemish People's Union—developed after the Council of State, Belgium's highest legal body, had warned the Government that some of the clauses in the proposed devolution Bill were contrary to the constitution.—UPI.

Rome becoming more aware of the value of mass communication

Papacy transcends denominational allegiance

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Roman Catholic Church is said to have changed more in the last decade than in the previous two centuries. It is possible that it has changed more in the last 10 days than in the last 10 years.

The election of a formidable non-Italian Pope marks a change of direction that will put 1978 into the history books: it is easy to peer too closely at the details of what has happened, missing the sort of points which will matter to historians in 200 years' time.

Two such points can tentatively be identified. The first is that the Papacy has never before received such attention as an institution of significance to Non-Roman Catholics. The spiritual leadership of the Pope, according to a leading article in the London evening Standard a few days ago, belongs to all those who are "transcendentally minded".

Such has been the tone of comment in the press almost everywhere, and the election of a non-Italian has heightened the impression that the Papacy transcends denominational allegiance. At a stroke, the office of Pope has suddenly become catholic.

Yet the tread in the Roman Catholic Church itself was to rethink the role of the Pope in more modest terms, to emphasize the church in each particular place and to see the unity of the church as a kind of federation, with the Bishop of Rome as chairman.

For this reason, it was said, he ought to be an Italian, as Rome is an Italian city; for this reason too, the Vatican curia should be trimmed, and subordinated to the collective mind of the bishops everywhere.

Episcopal democracy in some form or other was to replace the "ultmontane" dominance of one central figure. The Bishop of Rome was to tend his diocese pastorally, and act as a court of appeal whenever the overall unity of the church required him to.

Such a Papacy would not necessarily attract world headlines no rinstant live coverage on television round the globe. Such was the direction in which church goverut seemed to be flwing, and the Second Vatican Council's authority has been invoked to support it.

It is perhaps no coincidence that the one glaring failure of that council was on the subject of the mass media: its document on thatopic was mediocre. Rhere was no understanding, therefore, of the power of symbolism over public opinion; of the way in which the media is geared to use personality and image as its basic raw material.

The evocive smile of Pope John Paul I was not in any theological text book on evangelization, but it was more effective than a dozen papal encyclicals.

The curious alchemy that creates news has therefore impinged directly on the Papacy, reluctant though any Vatican official would be to admit that such things mattered. Officials may not put the reading of newspapers very high on their ist of dutees, but cardinals are a different breed and speak the language of mass communication. Most of them have their own press officers, and they know what it is to be constantly in the public eye.

Pope John Paul I's brief term was a dramatic lesson in how to communicate, and a dramatic demonstration that a warm and televisual Pope was an enormous asset to the Roman Catholic Church.

If the battle for mankind's heart and mind is to be fought in headlines and frontpage pictures, the Pope has to be more than remote *primus inter pares* kind of ecclesiastical chairman, a Roman version of the Archbishop of canterbury.

The paradox therefore is that just at the moment the Roman Catholic Church seemed to be looking for a more collective and less centralized style of leadership, the world seemed suddenly to be clamouring for a strong and impressive figure who would lead from the front.

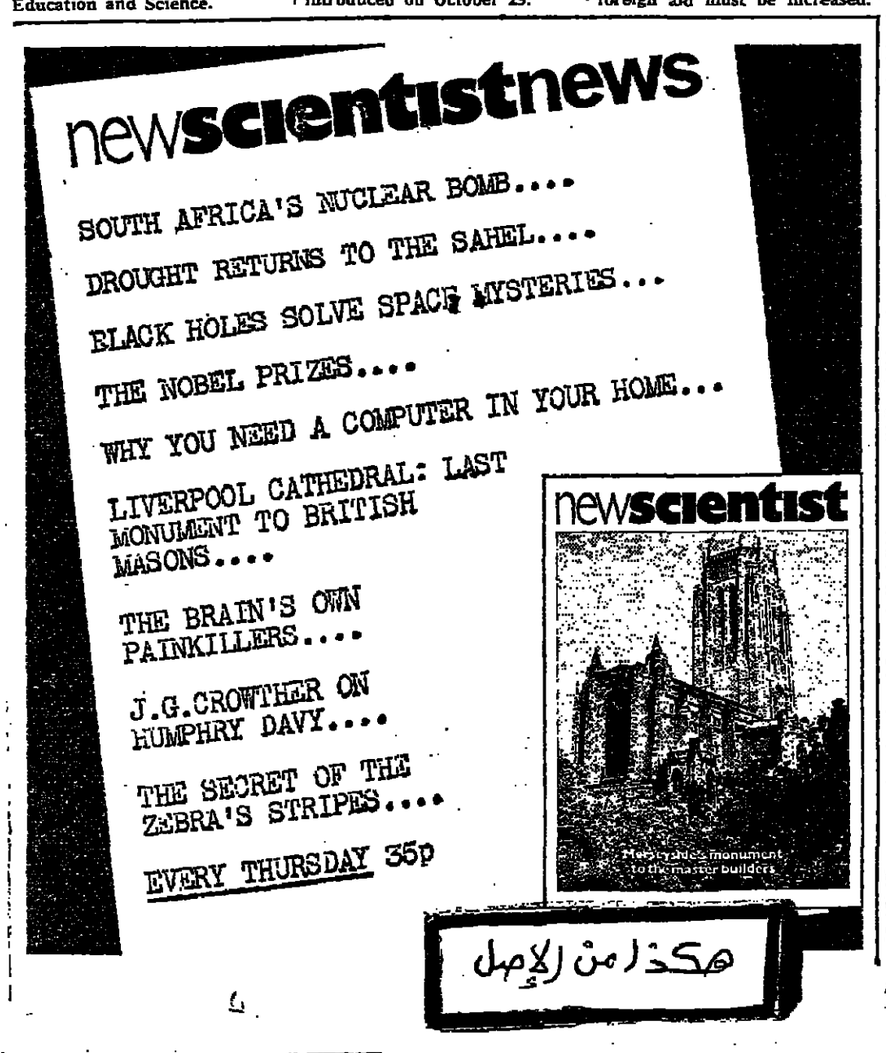
This must have been the basic choice facing the recent conclave: to elect a modest Italian who would symbolize the localization of the Papacy, or to elect an international heavyweight with sufficient force of character to be a world figure, instantly.

Some of the cardinals from outside Italy are very impressive indeed, and if the cardinal from Cracow was the pick of the bunch he must have extraordinary gifts. By all accounts he has.

There seems little doubt that the extreme centralization of power in the Roman Catholic Church, which took place in the second half of the nineteenth century and the first half of the twentieth, was becoming a considerable burden. The Second Vatican Council started the reverse tendency, and some of the decisions of the pontificate of Pope Paul VI wittingly or unwittingly encouraged it.

Pope John Paul II has committed himself to pursue the theological trend to its conclusion, but he will have to reckon with the unexpected fact that public opinion appears to welcome a strong Popacy, provided it echoes the real spiritual aspirations of the age.

He has embarked on a programme which must lead to the dissipation of some of the direct legal authority enjoyed by the Holy See over the church; if he is not to waste himself as an asset in the process. However, he has to reap or enhonce his own moral authority, and this is no more than ever a matter of communication through the media.



Murdered exile's links with Croat extremists

From Ian Murray
Paris, Oct 18

Mr Bruno Busic, the Yugoslav defector who was murdered in Paris on Monday night, had become increasingly involved with the extreinist fringe of Croat politics since he fled to London in 1975. He had left Yugoslavia after serving a prison sentence for his activities as a member of the Croat cultural association, Matika Hrvatska, with which he had originally become involved as a writer and journalist.

His life in London, ostensibly centred on his propagandist writings for the Croat cause. But he became increasingly involved with Croat nationalists who have been prepared to resort to violence.

His cousin, Mr Svonko Busic, was the leader of a group which hijacked a Trans World Airlines flight between New York and Chicago in 1976 and which landed in Paris. There a statement was issued denouncing President Tito's regime, and prepared by the murdered man.

In recent months he had been travelling extensively in West Europe and particularly visiting West Germany, where there is a large exile Croat community. The trips were to help to organize a Croat rally planned for later this year in Amsterdam.

His visit to Paris was at least his second this year. It appears that although he was staying with a friend, Mr Peter Brnadic, he was also visiting a girl friend, called Nathalie.

The French police are convinced that the murder was politically motivated.

Athens explosion

Athens, Oct 18.—A home-made bomb exploded in the lavatory of the City's law court building today blowing off a door and shattering windows. There were no casualties.

Drivers escape

Lyons, Oct 18.—A lorry plunged 32ft from a bridge on to a railway line and seconds later was smashed by a goods train near here last night. There were no casualties.

Dr Coggan to attend Pope's enthronement

Dr Donald Coggan, the Archbishop of Canterbury, will attend the inauguration of the ministry of Pope John Paul II in Rome on Sunday. It will be the first time since the Reformation that an Archbishop of Canterbury has attended the enthronement of a Pope.

The Archbishop decided to go "as a response from the world-wide Anglican communion to the deeply significant choice" of Cardinal Karol Wojtyla as the new Pope. Bishop John Home, the Secretary-General of the Anglican Consultative Council, will also attend, along with Bishop Richard Millard, of the United States, and Bishop Misaeri Kauma, of Uganda.

Warsaw: Polish authorities vetoed a request by the Catholic weekly newspaper Tygodnik Powszechny yesterday to doube the prinr of today's special edition reporting the election of a Polish Pope.

However, the Pope would be welcome to visit his communist homeland, which a decade ago barred Pope Paul VI, a Government minister said.—Agence France-Presse ano AP.

Communist motion against handover of land fails

From Jose Shercliff
Lisbon, Oct 18

A motion by the Communist Party's parliamentary caucus against the Government's "brutal policy" of returning illegally occupied land to the lega lowners, has been defeated in the Portuguese Assembly of the Republic.

The process of returning illegally occupied lands began last years when the Socialist Government passed the Land Reform Law. Senuhor Nobre da Cota's successor Government continued it but the operation was suspended on Monday after clashes between the National Republican Guard, which keeps order in rural areas, and farm workers.

Since the 1974 revolution vast stretches of land in the Alentejo grain belt have been occupied by local farm workers. They took over the estates of absentee landlords

Most of the large estates have been broken up into collective farms and cooperatives, while the smaller ones have been amalgamated. The land of foreign farmers, including British, were taken over illegally after a Communist Part campaign. Very few illegall occupied farms have so far bee returned to their owners.

Farming in the Alentejo ha been backward for decades, an the under-privileged and ill paid peasants provided a source of underground Communist resistance to the Salazar dictatorship. After the revolution the peasants turned on the land owners and farmers.

A new phase of restitution of illegally seized property is now going on under the supervisio of local and central authorities. Each time land is returned th National Republican Guard i called in to ensure order.

Clashes have occurred i seveal areas where farm wo kers, sometimes backed by in dustrial workers from nearb towns, have resisted the return of land to their owners.

In some cases, farm worker have returned illegally to th recently restituted farms. Score of farm workers have been in jured in the clashes and severa workers and trade union offi cials have been arrested.

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EST EUROPE

Madrid attempts to educe tension after ilbao police mutiny

m Harry Debelius
rid, Oct 18
creasing evidence of oppo- within the military and e establishment to govern- r policies appeared here y in the form of an open to a Madrid newspaper a prominent general.
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yet another development process of rapidly transfer- hundreds of members of curity police to other pro- after the mutiny, has to an unexpected halt. policemen supposedly ed by the transfer have been told to return to their posts.
ll informed sources said the confrontation between Government and conserva- elements of the police and armed forces is serious. le they did not foresee any ger of a general armed up- ng, they said that repeti- s of the Bilbao revolt re- ined within the realm of sibility.
hese sources said that the ernment is anxious to avoid ting into the position of pit- g one police force against ther, or of having to call on army to keep rebel police- n under control. In such a frontation members of the its committed to restore er would be torn between o loyalties.
dope of relaxation of the sion came with another re- t that Señor Rodolfo Martin the Interior Minister is ected to propose at a cabinet ing this week the creation a joint committee of repre- tatives of the "pre- nces". Basque government the Madrid government to the creation of a native que police force.
At present there are virtually Basque policemen other than ers, and this situation leads accusations by Basque extre- s that police under the con- l of Madrid are 'invading ries".

The creation of a Basque police force under the control of the Basque regional government might reduce the support which the ETA (separatist organization) enjoys among the population of the Basque country, because the terrorists would no longer be opposed by "outlanders" but by other Basques.

Lieutenant-General Francisco Fernández-Longori González, a former Air Force chief of staff and former member of the powerful Coucil of the Realm, said in an open letter on the front page of the Madrid daily, *El Imparcial*, today:

"The military men today are the same as they were before: that is, they are the same military men Spain has always had. . . . They are those who kept Spain from being dominated by communism, which tried to implant here its implacable and sinister disctatorship and its system of purges and *Gulags*. . . ."

The letter, widely believed to reflect opinions shared by a number of important members of the police and military establishment, added: "Whenever the manoeuvres and intrigues of foreign agents of ambitious or inept politicians have managed in one way or another to politicize and divide the Spanish armed forces, the result has always been disastrous. . . .

"We hope, as one of the greatest benefits which the new democracy can bring us, that nobody and nothing will succeed in politicizing and dividing Spanish military men again, neither to satisfy personal ambitions of power, nor to serve party interests, nor to facilitate action by foreign powers against Spain."

General Fernández-Longoria, who although retired, commands considerable respect among the military whote the letter in reply to a remark made recently by Señor Enrique Musica, a Socialist MP, to a reporter for the same newspaper, saying: "The military men with whom I deal now are not the military men of before. They were military men before, but they are not the military men of before. Let me make that perfectly clear."

Mr Silkin soothes German eelings on fish policy

m Michael Hornsby
n, Oct 18
Mr *John Silkin and Herr* ef Ertl, the British and st German Ministers of riculture, said here today at they had made good pro- ess in reducing their long- anding differences over heries policy.
Sounding a more optimistic te than they have for many nths, the two ministers were peful that the intractable C dispute over fishing rights uld be resolved by the end November.
Herr Ertl said that as current esident of the EEC's Council Agricultural Ministers, he uld be having bilateral talks th other Community member ates with the aim of getting final agreement next month.
He was much more optimistic out the chances of agreement a result of his talks today ith his British counterpart. r Silkin, whose relations with err Ertl have been strained the past, added that the rea of disagreement" had en narrowed.
Neither minister admitted to aving changed his position, nor ould they go into the details what they had discussed, but oth agreed that they now nderstood each other much etter.

Herr Ertl said that the main British demand, for a "dominant preference" in the allocation of the EEC's fish catch, was now negotiable. But it was important that Britain and West Germany should not be seen to be trying to impose a settlement on other members.

In the weeks, officials are to pursue detailed discussion of the key issues still outstanding. These include the question of other member states' "historic *rights" in British inshore* waters, and the British insistence on a tough fish conservation policy.

Mr Silkin said he believed a settlement had been made easier by Mr James Callaghan's decision not to hold elections in Britain this October. This was because the rest of the EEC now knew they had no choice but to come to terms with a Labour Government.

Mr Silkin's talks with Herr Ertl formed part of the broader high-level consultations between Britain and West Germany which began here today. Simultaneous meetings took place between Mr Callaghan and Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, and Mr Denis Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and his West German counterparty.

December date or Chaplin body theft trial

Vevey, Switzerland, Oct 18.—The trial of two East Europeans accused of stealing the body of Sir Charles Chaplin earlier this year has been fixed for December 11 and 14, Mr Jean-Daniel Tenthorey, the investigating magistrate said today.
Chaplin's body was stolen from the village grave at Corsier near here in March and was found 10 weeks later in a field of maize about 10 miles away. The body was reburied in a cemented vault at Corsier
Galitcho Ganev, a Bulgarian, and Roman Wardas, a pole, are being detained in Lausanne where one of them was arrested.
"It has taken a long time to fix a date for the trial because of the various commitments of all parties concerned", Mr Tenthorey said. "The lawyers have only just agreed on a suitable time."—AP.

French proposal to penalize prison authors

Paris, Oct 18.—The French Government today approved a draft Bill which would enable the state to seize profits made by prisoners on the sale of books about their crimes, and compensate their victims with the money.
The decision followed the controversial case of Jacques Mesrine, France's "Public Enemy No 1", who in a book smuggled out of prison claimed to have killed 15 people.
He escaped from prison in May, after serving one year of a 20-year term for attempted murder, armed robbery and kidnapping. He is still free.
He has said the claims made in his book *L'Instinct de mort* (the Death Wish) were exaggerated.
The Bill now goes before the National Assembly for approval. —Reuter.

Poor countries criticized on modern food methods

From Our Correspondent
Geneva, Oct 18
A recent report by the International Labour Organization criticizes developing countries for using costly high-technology *equipment in food-processing* industries, producing food that is both dearer and less nutritious than that made by traditional means, while at the same time providing fewer jobs.
It gives the example of a country that acquired a modern bakery, through foreign aid, which produced bread most people could not afford.
In one African country, an oven imported by a biscuit firm cost $100,000 (£50,000) and created only four pobs. Had locally built brick ovens been used, more jobs and an equivalent but far cheaper product could have been provided.
The report says that because of the tendency of developing *countries to favour* big modern plants and private foreign investment in this field, an increasing number of processed foods being marketed in such countries do not meet the real needs of their peoples.
It points out that small-scale sugar plants, for insrance, may generate, for each ton of sugar produced, about 17 times the number of jobs created by larger mills using modern technology.

OVERSEAS

Rhodesians launch big raid into Mozambique after attack on city

From Frederick Cleary
Salisbury, Oct 18
Rhodesian security forces have begun another big raid into Mozambique, the third this year. A brief statement from the Ministry of Combined Operations today said the raid was a self-defence operation *against Zanla guerrilla bases* in Mozambique and that additional communiqués would be issued in due course.
Last month security forces spent several days in Mozambique claiming to have destroyed 25 guerrilla bases and killed several hundred guerrillas in a combined land and air operation.
The latest raid comes only a few days after the Rhodesian border city of Umtali was mortared by a guerrilla gang operating from surrounding hills. Five people were wounded.
After the September incursion into Mozambique the military command said cross-border operations would continue whenever it was felt necessary. The stepping up of raids into Mozambique is seen as part of an offensive before the summer rains, due soon, hamper flying and offer guerrillas lush cover in which to operate.
Lieutenant-General Peter *Walls, supreme commander of* Rhodesian forces, is said to be in personal command of the present assault.
It is estimated that about 8,000 guerrillas are operating in Rhodesia, most of them Zanla forces owing allegiance to Mr Robert Mugabe's Zimbabwe African National Union (Zanu) wing of the Patriotic Front alliance.
Meanwhile Mr Ernest Bulle, joint Minister of Finance, has made it clear that African men will not be allowed to escape being called up for military service next year.
He told businessmen at a meeting in Gwelo that now there was "a multiracial situation" in Rhodesia everybody, black or white, had a duty to fulfil his military obligations. Blacks[who hitherto have strongly objected to being called up, "will have no choice". Mr Bulle said there was a potential total of about 25,000 blacks
A new black-orientated daily newspaper, The World, is to be launched here on Friday to replace the recently banned Zimbabwe Times. The editor will be Mr Tendai Dumbutshea, aged 25, formerly assistant editor of the Zimbabwe Times, whose editor, Mr Herbert Munagatire, is to retire from journalism.
Mr Dumbutshena said The World's editorial policy would not differ significantly from that of the Zimbabwe Times. The newspaper will be run by the same staff and from the same offices as the banned paper, which was owned by the Lonrho company. It is not known if Lonrho is financing the new paper.

Arab magazine for London

By Edward Mortimer
The oldest and largest news magazine in the Arab world, *Al Hawadith*, is to be printed and published in London from November 15. Its Beirut premises were destroyed in the fighting the week before last.
Al Hawadith, founded in 1911, is owned and edited by Mr Salim al-Lozi, a Lebanese Muslim. Since 1976 the same company has been publishing *Events*, a fortnightly magazine in English, from premises in London.
Both have a glossy format modelled on that of *Time* magazine. *Al Hawadith* was the first publication in the Arab world to adopt that format and *has had great success. It claims* a circulation of more than 100,000 of which nearly half is in Lebanon and the rest elsewhere in the Arab world (It has recently been banned in Libya and Iraq

Tripartite peace meeting likely

Washington, Oct 18.—The American delegation to the Middle East peace negotiations, led by Mr Alfred Atherton, today had separate meetings with the Egyptian and Israeli delegations. A meeting of the *three delegationsis said to* be planned.
Certain difficulties are believed to have arisen in the negotiations which were indicated last night by contradictory statements.

Minister resigns over Iran pay awards

Teheran, Oct 18.—Mr Houshang Nahavandi, the Iranian Minister of Science and Higher Education, has resigned its protest against pay increase awarded after strikes during the past three weeks.
In a letter to Mr Jaafar Sharif-Emami, the Prime Minister, quoted in newspapers today, he said that he disagreed with the Government's acceptance of many wage demands. He accused the Government of taking "a light-hearted attitude towards the threat of inflation".
Mr Nahavandi was the second *minister to leave the Govern*ment of "national reconciliation" formed in August. A Cabinet reshuffle was expected later this month.
A former chief aide of Empress Farah, Mr Nahavandi *is expected to form his own* monarchist party to contest the general election promised for next summer.
Officials said that many political prisoners would be freed next week, especially those jailed for minor offences such as *possessing communist* books.
Increasing unofficial strikes have paralysed ports, some hospitals, customs officers and the crude oil refinery in Abadan.
One official estimated that the wage demands, if granted, would increase the Government's expenditure by £1,000m in a year, 10 per cent of its annual oil revenue.—Reuter.

Russia praises Karpov and attacks Korchnoi

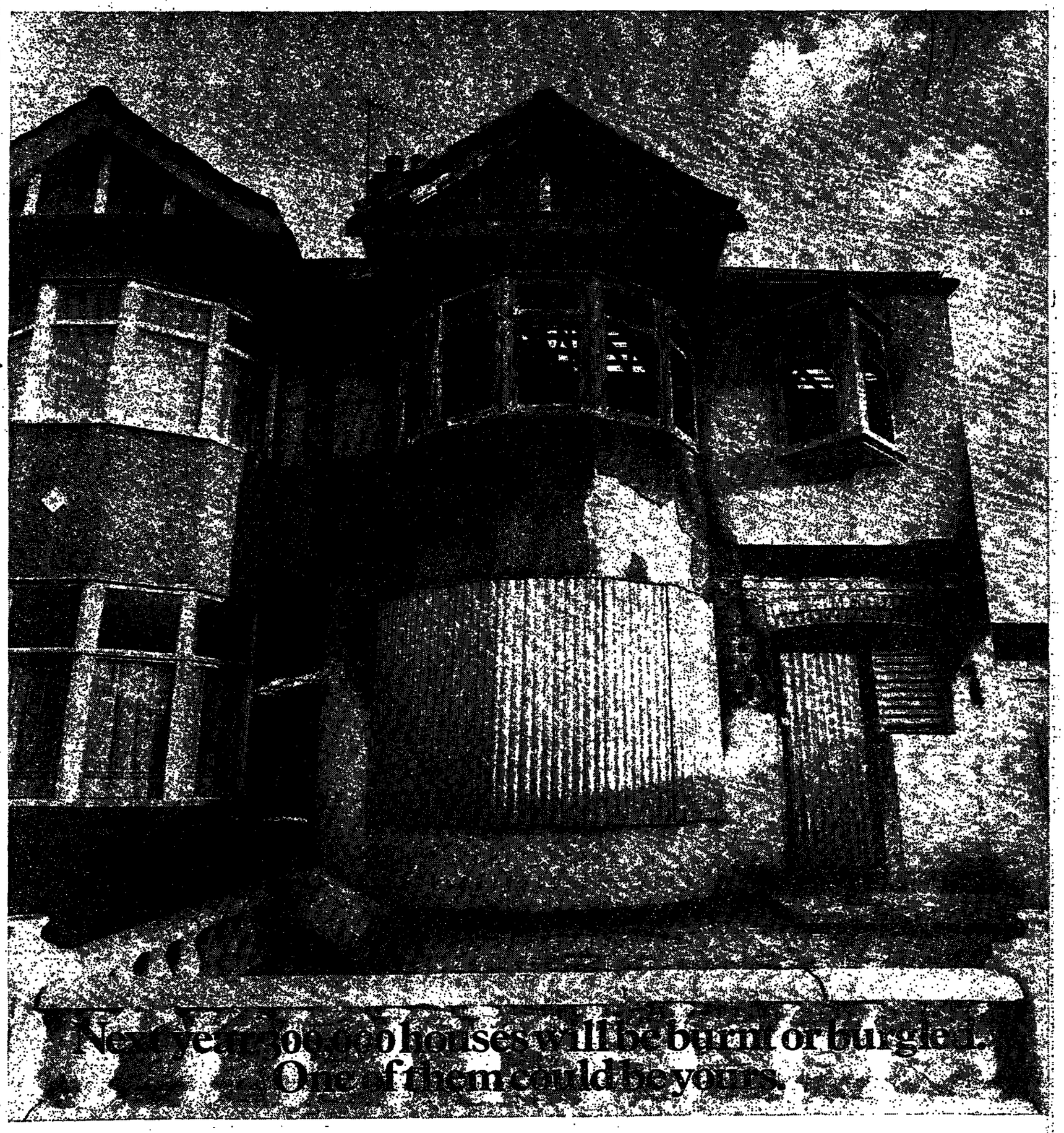
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complain to the International Chess Federation (FIDE) about "intolerable Soviet behaviour, hostility of the organizers, and lack of activity by the referees".
As the match neared its climax yesterday, the Russians successfully demanded the removal, from Korchnoi's villa, of two American born members of the Indian-based Ananda Marga religious sect who had been helping the challenger to relax with meditation exercises.
During the treatment, Korchnoi dramatically rallied from a 1—4 match position to a 5—5 tie.
Harry Golombek writes from Baguio: It was quite obvious when Korchnoi adjourned the thirty-second game in the world championship match against Karpov here yesterday that the position was untenable for the challenger.
It came as no great surprise when Mr Keene telephoned Dr Filip, to tell him that Korchnoi had resigned the game. For the record, the sealed forty-first move was R-Kt2 after which white can win by KtxBP or any other reasonable move.
Korchnoi asserted that though he had told Keene to resign on his behalf he had not rdesigned himself and had, as it were, merely abandoned the match out of protest against the way the organizers had, to quote his words, favoured Karpov.
It can only be assumed that he was really disturbed by outside pressures during the last game
At the press conference today Karpov said it was quite possible he would not play in the forthcoming olympiad at Buenos Aires.
Moscow: Karpov was officially credited here with upholding the Soviet way of life by beating the "unscrupulous" defector Korchnoi.
Defending his championship against "a very experienced, dangerous and perfidious adversary", Tass said Karpov carried "the greatest responsibility ever borne in a match by a Soviet chess player".
Using the words of a Filipino commentator, Tass said: "Anatoly Karpov, just a young man, is defending the social system which he represents, and which his rival, who fled the country, is trying to discredit".—AP.



Jubilant Karpov

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Syrians withdrawing from Beirut, Christian radio says

From Robert Fisk
Beirut, Oct 18

The Christian-controlled "Voice of Lebanon" radio in Beirut claimed tonight that under a secret agreement reached at yesterday's Beit Eddine Arab foreign ministers' conference, Syria is to withdraw 10,000 troops from Beirut and its suburbs.

If the report is true—and there was no confirmation from any other source this evening—it would represent the first sign of Syria's preparedness to compromise with the Christian militias, whom Syrian troops have been fighting for the past four months.

According to the radio, the Syrian soldiers will begin their withdrawal tonight and will be replaced by units from Jordan, the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia, which will take up positions around the Christian sector of Eastern Beirut.

There has been no statement from Jordan that its troops are to become part of the Arab peacekeeping force in Beirut, although President Sarkis of Lebanon visited King Husain in Amman two days before the Beit Eddine meeting.

The "Voice of Lebanon" said it had "learnt" that 5,000 Jordanian soldiers were to be sent to Beirut on condition that they were only used in a police role.

There is also some doubt as to whether Syria actually has as many as 10,000 men in the Beirut area. *Many of its 30,000* soldiers in Lebanon are positioned in towns and villages outside the capital and in the Bekaa valley to the east.

If Syria undertook anything like the withdrawal predicted by the Christian radio, however, it would mark a profund change in President Assad's determination to control events in Lebanon.

Without occupying Beirut, Syria would have little influence in the rest of the country—*unless, of course, it threatened* to return if the security situation deteriorated once again.

The Syrian occupation of Beirut in November, 1976, ended the 18-month Lebanese civil war and brought more than a year of comparative peace to the country after it had suffered more than 37,000 dead. But since the early spring of this year, Syrian troops in the city have become engaged in a series of ever more ruthless battles with right-wing militias, in the fighting earlier this month, cost about 600 lives in East Beirut alone.

he Arab foreign ministers' meeting had been held to consolidate a frequently violated ceasefire in Beirut which followed *a call for a truce from* the United Nations Security Council almost two weeks ago. Charles Hargrove writes from Paris: Nothing illustrates more clearly the inadequate role of the National Assembly in controlling the French Government's policy than the expeditious manner in which the Prime Minister disposed of the storm raised by M. de Guiringaud's remarks on Lebanon to the Anglo-American press earlier this week.

M. Raymond Barre made a somewhat timeless statement reaffirming the traditional support of France for the Christian minority—on whom his Foreign Minister had squarely placed the blame for the latest outbreak of fighting in Beirut—and for the independence and integrity of Lebanon.

M. François Mitterrand, the Socialist leader, indulged in an old-fashioned flight of passionate oratory. And it was all over. The only pending question was the personal fate of M. Guiringaud, who was not even present on the Government benches.

The controvery had the makings of a great parliamentary set-to. The Foreign Minister's condemnation of the Christians touched off the same sort of emotional reaction in France as Dr David Owen's failure to blame the Rhodesian guerrillas after the massacre of white missionaries in June.

M. Barre had responded yesterday with lightning speed to *the indignation and insistence* of his own majority on an immediate statement disowning the Foreign Minister. The Gaullists were furbishing their weapons. But in the end they left them at home.

Australia to investigate airline's ban on Jews

Canberra, Oct 18.—The Transport Minister, Mr Peter Nixon ordered an investigation today into why Qantas, Australia's international airline, agreed to Syrian demands that Jews be banned from the airline's once-a-week flight to London via Damascus.

Mr Nixon told the House of Representatives that he was distressed at reports that the state financed airline had imposed limitations on carrying Australian citizens for religious reasons.

He was commenting on a report in today's issue of the Melbourne *Age* which said the Syrian Government refused entry and transit facilities to Israelis and Jews

The newspaper said it learnt of the restriction when an unnamed man complained that his mother was refused a seat on the flight through Damascus because she was Jewish.

Mr Nixon said conditions imposed by the Syrian Government for use of its air space had been in force for at least five years. He was disturbed because the ban was a discrimination against Australian citizens of a particular faith.

"It is for that reason that I have sought from Qantas a full explanation", Mr Nixon said.

Mr Nixon noted, however, that Israel also refused transit facilities to people from Arab League nations. He had ordered *the investigation to find out* the exact implications of the Syrian ban.

A *Qantas spokesman said* many countries imposed restrictions on passengers flying on international aircraft and airlines had to abide by regulations and restrictions imposed by the nations they served.—Reuter.

Our Air Correspondent writes: The Syrian action infringes one of the basic concepts on which modern civil aviation is based, *that airlines have the right to* carry passengers from any nation across world frontiers. No airline in London to which I spoke yesterday could recall such a ban being applied in the past anywhere in the world.

'They get to thinking that nobody can do the job quite like they can'

The mayor who wants to stay in his parlour

From Michael Leapman
Philadelphia, Oct 18

Pennsylvania is electing a new governor next month but in Philadelphia, the state's largest city, there is much more interest in a contest in which nobody will be actually elected at all. It is the attempt by Mr Frank Rizzo, the outspoken Mayor, to get the city charter changed so that he can run for a third term of office next year.

The issue, which will be decided by referendum, is being fought as though it were a real election, pitting Mr Rizzo against the field. In effect this is what it is. If the voters agree to the charter change, whic the polls suggest they will not do it is hardly conceivable that Mr Rizzo would lose next year in the mayoral election itself.

Mr Rizzo, a Democrat, has never been far from controversy in his seven years as Mayor. A former tough police chief, he won in 1971 as an advocate of law and order and as a champion of the white ethnic groups who felt threatened by the encroachment of blacks into the city's residential areas.

In 1975, he was re-elected, firmly denying the claims of his opponents that the city was running a budget deficit. Soon after the election he admitted that the finances were in poor shape, and an enraged group of citizens tried to have him unseated on a "recall vote" in the middle of his term. The state supreme court ruled the attempt invalid.



Mr Rizzo: not happy unless he is fighting

For a while, Mr Rizzo toyed with the idea of entering national politics as the spokesman for what he sees as the embattled white residents of cities. Then he changed his mind and decided he still wanted to be mayor, and next month's election represents his attempt to get rid of the niggling obstacle of a city charter which says that two terms are enough.

He is clearly not happy unless fighting and campaigning for something, and he does it with a fixedness which excludes other considerations. Explaining why the mayor would not agree to see me, Mr Joseph Lasala, a member of his city cabinet and one of his campaign co-ordinators, said: "I did put it to him and I'll be honest and tell you exactly what he said to me. He said: "London *Times*? That doesn't get me any votes in Philadelphia.'"

Since I could not ask Mr Rizzo in person, I enquired of Mr Lasala the mayor's motive for seeking, at 57, to stay in office. "You've been around politics", he said. "You know your Johnsons, your Nixons, your Daleys, your Rockefellers. They get to thinking that nobody can do the job quite like they can.

"He's convinced and the record is unarguable, that he's done a fine job in the city. It's probably the most successful older city in the nation."

That view is not shared by most of the local press. A typical editorial in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* last week was headed: "Rizzo's record on jobs: down, down, down, down".

The mayor has seldom been supported by the press and seems to relish doing battle with them. Mr Lasala echoes him in dismissing his critics as liberal elitists rather as Mr Spiro Agnew, the former Vice-president, used to do.

"The great antipathy of the liberal towards Mr Rizzo", Mr Lasala explained, "is because he reminds them of their mistakes. He is the only one on the scene who will get up and resist the pressures of the social scientists."

On the question of employment—on which the *Inquirer's* critical editorial was based—Mr Lasala said it depended on what period of time was chosen when comparisons were made. "You know statistics", he said. "You *can have a graph which shows* jobs going up and then if you hold it round the other way it shows it round going down."

The main group opposing him is the Committee to Protect the Charter (CPC) whose chairman, Mr Richard Chapman, said: "I've made a career in the past four or five years of trying to get rid of Frank Rizzo. That career is about to end."

The polls so fa rindicate that Mr Chapman is right but as Mr Lasala points out, Mr Rizzo sets *great store by winning and has* so far usually managed to do so. His trick is to so dominate the campaign in which he is engaged that his own personality is the only issue. That makes the result hard to predict. His defeat may not be a foregone conclusion.

Ann Chapman 'was seen after hour of death'

From Mario Modiano
Athens, Oct 18

The Chapman murder case took a new turn today when a Greek art dealer reported to the Athens Prosecutor that Miss Ann Chapman, escorted by a young Greek man, had visited his gallery near the Acropolis at least two hours after she was assumed by the coroner to have been strangled to death.

This development came just as Mr Edward Chapman, the woman reporter's father, concluded yet another fruitless visit to Greece oin search of the truth about her death in 1971.

Miss Chapman, a London free-*lance journalist on a tourist* visit to Greece, disappeared as she left her seaside hotel to go to a bus stop at Kavouri. She was found strangled two days later in a plot near by. In 1972 Nikos Moundis, a former prison guard, was given a life term for strangling her white attempting rape. The coroner fixed the time of death at 8 pm.

Today Mr Ananias Tryfonidis, a *commercial representative*, told the public prosecutor that a girl he was convinced was convinced was Miss Chapman, escorted by a blonde young Greek, had visited an art gallery he maintained

Pakistan papers subject to censorship suspend publication in protest

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad, Oct 18

Several newspapers of Karachi, Lahore and Rawalpindi which were directed to submit to precensorship by the provincial governments of Sind and Punjab yesterday, have decided to stage a three-day protest *strike by suspending publi*cation from tomorrow.

Precensorship was imposed for two months on five Urdu and Sindhi newspapers in Karachi and two each in Lahore and Rawalpindi. Among the newspapers affected are the Karachi and Lahore editions of *Musawat*, owned by Mr Gulfikar Ali Bhutto, former Prime Minister, and for Sindhi newspaper *Hilal-e-Pakistan* taken over early this year by the Government from Mr Bhutto.

The censorship order served on the newspaper accused them of publishing material which tended to endanger law and order, to incite hatred of the Government, embitter relations between the people of different provinces, and undermine the loyalties of government servants, including members of the armed forces and the police.

The Karachi Urdu newspaper, *Jasarat*, owned by the Jamaat-e-Islami Party, in a leading article today criticized the imposition of press censorship and called for its immediate withdrawal. It said that the situation did not warrant such a move.

The *Pakistan Times*, one of the publications of the National Press Trust controlled by the Ministry of Information, commended the censorship in a leading article.

Newspapers required to submit to precensorship came out today with numerous blank *patches indicating the excision* of news, photographs and cartoons by the censor committees set up under the directive of the Ministry of the Interior. The Karachi edition of *Musawat* left its editorial column blank because its leading article could not possibly pass the censors.

Its Lahore edition had to remove the picture of Mr Ghulam Mustafa Khar, the former Governor and Chief Minister of Punjab, who was yesterday disqualified by a court from taking part in politics and elections for seven years.

Mr Khar, who is reported to be in London, did not contest the charges of abuse and misuse of government office and funds.

Mr Mahmood Azam Farooqi, the Minister of Information, today said that the imposition of censorship had become necessary to curb opposition newspapers and protect "the ideological frontiers" of Pakistan.

He affirmed, however, that the Government did not propose to extend censorship to the entire press. He said that the Government welcomed criticism

Soviet police raze church with bulldozers

By Gabriel Ronay

An account of a confrontation between the Roman Catholic parishioners of a small Moldavian village in the Soviet Union and security police (KGB) has just reached the West, revealing the plight of non-Orthodox believers in the Soviet provinces.

The confrontation involved a new church in the village of Rashkovo, some 100 miles from Kishinyov, the capital of Soviet Moldavia. An account of the events is contained in a five-page supplement to the latest issue of the *Chronicle of the Lithuanian Catholic Church*, which portrays the religious oppression of Roman Catholics in Moldavia's two former Romanian provinces of Bukovina and Bessarabia.

The security forces came at dawn to Rashkovo in 16 lorries, the report states. There were 500 of them, many with dogs. They were accompanied by 40 ambulances, two bulldozers, two earthmovers and four tractors. Regular Army troops were deployed in a forest near by and a helicopter hovered over the village throughout the day.

The security forces surrounded the houses of all Roman Catholics in the village and confiscated every hunting rifle. All the children were locked in the village school and sentries posted round the building.

Then at 9 am the "administrative measures" against the Catholics and their new church began. The security police and militiamen first removed every religious object from the church, dumping them in a stable. Then the bulldozers and earthmovers razed the new church. It was the villagers' only place of worship, prayers in private houses being prohibited.

The report says that the villagers, long deprived of both a priest and a place of worship by the Moldavian Council for Religious Affairs, had to travel to Moscow 10 times before obtaining permission for a priest to visit them once a month.

But the authorities did not allow them a place of worship and one of the villagers, Mrs Valentina Oleinik, who allowed her house to be used for religious services, was taken to court. Finally, the parishioners, using their savings, built their own church, which was completed not long before the security police raid.

Father Vladislav Zavalnyuk, their priest, is now banned from entering the village.

Musician's son accused of rattlesnake plot

Los Angeles, Oct 18.—Lance Kenton, the 20-year-old son of Stan Kenton, the band leader, was charged yesterday with conspiracy to commit murder in a plot involving a rattlesnake. He was also charged with assault with a deadly weapon and conspiracy to commit assault. Joseph Musico, aged 26, faced the same charges, and pleaded not guilty.

Mr Kenton, who is free on $25,000 (£12,500) bail was ordered to appear in court on Friday. He was arrested after Mr Paul Morantz, a Los Angeles lwyer, told police he was bitten by a rattlesnake when he reached into his mail box.—Reuter.

Hongkong Club wins reprieve from demolition

From Our Correspondent
Hongkong Oct 18

The Hongkong Club, which has survived the passing of the Hongkong Cricket Club and the *marble statue of Queen Victoria* in Statue Square, has won a reprieve from demolition.

A recommendation by the club committee that the venerable building should be demolished and the site redeveloped for investment was rejected by 208 votes to 190.

Renovations and improvements will now be financed from the club's $HK15m (£1.6m) investment fund.

Mr A. D. Moore, the chairman of the committee, said at the first press conference ever granted by the Hougkong Club that it was difficult to forecast how long the old building would remain safe.

Vietnam accuses China of massing troops

Hongkong, Oct 18.—Vietnam today accused China of massing troops and building fortifications along their common border in an attempt to lend support to Cambodia.

The Vietnam News Agency also quoted reports that more than 10 Cambodian divisions were poised along the border under the command of Chinese advisers and that Chinese aircraft had been sent to Cambodia "for the war against Vietnam".

The agency quoted the army newspaper *Quandoi Nha Dan* as saying: "While alleging intense efforts by Vietnam to prepare for a massive offensive against Kampuchea (Cambodia), China is massing many divisions and large quantities of hardware within eight or 10 kilometres (five to six miles) from the Vietnam-China border.

"It is holding military exercises, building fortifications and making war propaganda against Vietnam.

"The Kampuchean reactionaries are also mustering their strength, posting along the border more than 10 divisions and many tanks and artillery pieces, all placed under the command of Chinese advisers".

Bangkok: New fighting has been going on between intruding Vietnamese forces and Cambodian troops in the so-called Parrot's Beak area, Phnom Penh radio reported today.

The radio said that Vietnamese troops had plundered rice crops in Svay Rieng province on the border, but had been attacked and destroyed

Mr Morton Abramowitz, the new United States Ambassador to Thailand, has turned down a sight-seeing tour of the Angror Wat ruins in Cambodia because of blatant violations of human rights in the country.

He told a group of Thai journalists yesterday: "A significant portion of the people (in Cambodia) have been killed.

Kobe, Japan: A group of 156 Vietnamese refugees arrived at Kobe on board a Bermudan tanker today after being picked up from a drifting boat in the South China Sea about two weeks ago.—Reuter.

Hanoi leader's tour leaves doubts in Asian capitals

From Our Correspondent
Kuala Lumpur, Oct 18

Mr Pham Van Dong, the Vietnamese Prime Minister, has completed his calls on leaders of the five members of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (Asean). But diplomatic sources in Kuala Lumpur today believed that he returned to Hanoi without making the impact he intended.

The five nations are suspicious of Vietnam's *volte face* in moving from hostility to friendship. The feeling remains in the Asean capitals that Hanoi was egged on by the Soviet *Union in its latest diplomatic* venture.

A senior official of the Malaysian Foreign Ministry said that the Vietnamese diplomatic moves came about after the Soviet Union had modified its original hostility towards Asean.

The five are also suspicious of Vietnam recently joining the Comecon economic grouping of Soviet block countries.

The five nations agreed beforehand to make no political concessions during Mr Dong's tour, but to enter into as many technical agreements as Vietnam wanted.

When Mr Dong visited Thailand, the Philippines and Indonesia last month, and Malaysia and Singapore last week, the Asean governments laid on full protocol but conceded little in their talks.

Hanoi's attempt to be involved in the Asean concept of a zone of peace, freedom and neutrality was given short shrift.

Joint statements issued after each visit noted the differing views between Vietnam and the host country on the neutralization of the region, adding each time that the Asean Government concerned was committed to realizing the Asean concept of a zone of peace, freedom and neutrality.

Mr Dong promised not to support subversive movements against Asean governments but that did not prevent Dato Hussein Onn, the Malaysian Prime Minister, reminding him that Vietnam had done just that when training Malaysian communists a few years ago.

The visit thus ended in disagreement on political matters, but agreement on such subjects as trade, post and telecommunications, public health, agricultural research and civil aviation.

Sources said that after the reception Mr Dong was given in Bangkok, Manila and Jakarta, he realized the position and did not push his views too far.

Malaysian officials said that neither the question of the indigenous Chinese in Vietnam, nor Vietnam problems with Cambodia and China were mentioned.

In fact, Mr Dong was pointedly annoyed with a question at his press conference in Kuala Lumpur before leaving for Singapore on Monday about the Vietnamese Chinese.

One message that he would have carried back with him to Hanoi was that there was no intention of turning Asean into a military pact.

Japan ratifies friendship pact with China

Tokyo, Oct 18.—The Japanese Parliament today ratified the country's peace and friendship treaty with China. An overwhelming vote of approval by the Upper House paved the way for instruments of ratification to be exchanged when Mr Teng Hsiao-ping, the Chinese Deputy Prime Minister, arrives in Japan on an eight-day visit next Sunday.

The treaty was signed in August after six years of on-off talks and in the face of sharp criticism from Moscow. The Russians see it as anti-Soviet and threaten retaliation against Japan.

Mr Takeo Fukuda, the Japanese Prime Minister, told MPs today that the treaty provided a favourable atmosphere for reunifying North and South Korea. He and Mr Teng would discuss the issue in detail.

He said a security conference including Moscow and Peking was not feasible at present in the light of the Sino-Soviet conflict "but I will keep it in mind as an ideal".

The Lower House approved the treaty last Monday. The Cabinet will add its approval on Friday before formal sanction by Emperor Hirohito.—Reuter.

Five escape from jail

Verviers, Oct 18. — Five prisoners, including three Italians, one Belgian and one of undisclosed nationality, escaped from jail in Verviers today while on fatigue duty, Belgian police reported.

US Nazis' right to march affirmed by court

Washington, Oct 18.—American Nazis have a right to parade in a predominantly Jewish suburb of Chicago, according to a decision by the United States Supreme Court which declined to review the ruling of a lower court.

The party, which is believed to have a few hundred members, caused an uproar in Chicago earlier this year with its plans to march through Skokie, where many survivors of Second World War Nazi concentration camps live.

The march was shifted to an*other neighbourhood but a dis*trict court of appeals decided that the Nazis' right to march was protected by the American constitution's guarantee of free speech.

Two Supreme Court justices wanted to review the ruling, but seven did not.
Reuter.

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☐ A Roman Emperor's fiddle? ☐ A Black Cockerel? ☐ Espresso Coffee?
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4. Who said "Et tu Brute"?
☐ Red Riding Hood ☐ Mark Anthony ☐ Julius Caesar
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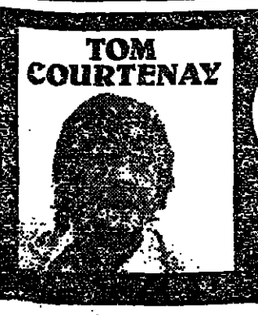
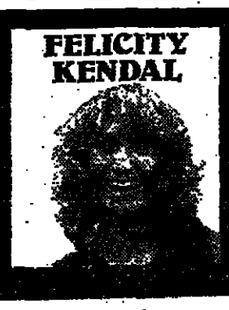
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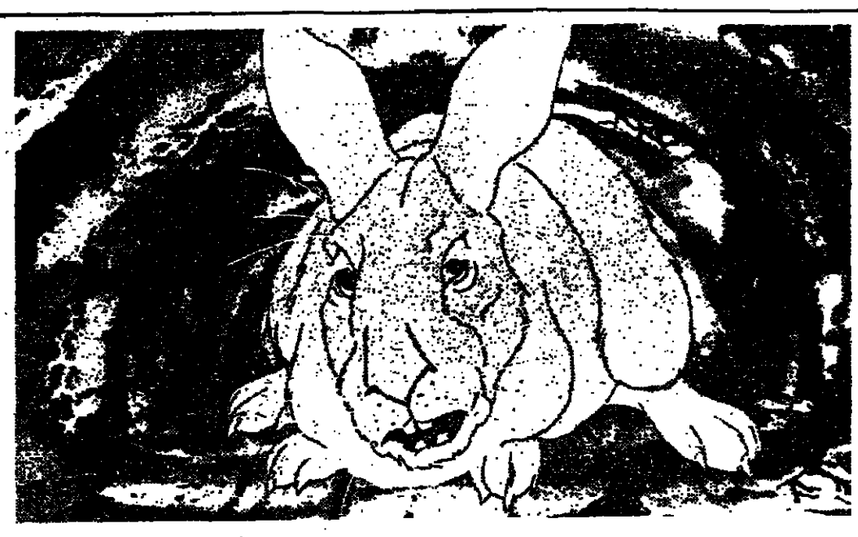
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THE ARTS





Watership Down supremo Rosen and Chief Rabbit

The Rabbits of Warren Street

Most people are delighted when the censor allows their film the widest possible audience, but Martin Rosen, producer, writer and director of the animated version of *Watership Down* which opens today, is sorry not to have been dealt with more strictly. The film has been given a U certificate, despite a subsequent personal approach for an A, on the basis that children are more sophisticated than they were six years ago when the book came out.

The fact is that Rosen, a 43-year-old American who has been living in London for 12 years, does not necessarily see it as a children's film or a children's book for that matter and says that every country apart from England is like-minded. His rabbits are not cuddly Disneyesque creatures from the very start, and, by the end of the film they are indulging in some nasty acts of violence which author Richard Adams remarked were not *depicted in the book*.

But Adams agreed very early on in the deal that he would not interfere with the film script and apart from walking the rabbits' 18 mile route to Watership Down twice with the American film-maker — once on a bitter cold New Year's Day—kept to his word. So Rosen decided to illustrate the book's latent threat of violence, based on an old adage of Billy Wilder who *pointed* out years ago "If you're shooting a scene on the ground and you cut to an aeroplane and you cut back to the action and back to the plane and back again to the action, the third time you cut to the plane it had better explode. You can't keep *talking* about danger on screen."

Violent rabbits gave Rosen a lot of problems, largely *because of the legacy of the* Disney studio, though he finally drew on their cartoon experience in appointing Philip Duncan animation director, who created Thumper. Although most of his artists were English he also brought a couple of looser American animators versed in the art of movement to add a bit of humour to the 500-page tale.

Duncan's first drawings were definitely bunnies, but gradually Rosen lured him into a much more naturalistic style, which, however, could not be completely real. "If you draw real rabbits against a real background, you lose them just the way you do in nature", he says. Rosen settled for anatomically real rabbits whose only anthropomorphic qualities were their characters and the power of speech. Some people have found their personalities difficult to identify in the beginning, but Rosen says he intentionally made a film that was not entirely accessible.

At one point he thought of directing live rabbits in the parts, but he knew that every time they opened their mouths the audience would be in a state of suspended belief. And if ever he was tempted to think of his pictures as endearing little victims of injustice he remembered a rabbit he had once tried to direct as producer of *Women in Love*. "Oliver Reed was supposed to pick up this big buck rabbit out of its pen by the ears and chop it dead to the back of the neck to display a kind of cruelty to Glenda Jackson. ut he could not pick it up because that rabbit just frayed his arm with his back feet. We never could shoot that scene."

The other ironic contradiction *in the story*, considering the breeding pattern of the rabbit, was the lack of sex. When the book first appeared in the United States Women's Libbers were apparently outraged by this, and in a move to appease them Rosen has extended the functions of one of the heroines, Hyzenthlay. "There is no structural reason why there should not have been a female among the band who left the warren", he says.

The female voice is played by Hannah Gordon, but other voices were less easy to come by. The part of Hazel, who has leadership thrust upon him, was recorded twice by other people before John Hurt finally succeeded in illustrating his character development. First he had to create the character from a script completely in a vacuum before the drawings were matched to the voice. When this was done Rosen's actors were allowed to watch a black-and-white print and in some cases improve on their original performances.

One actor was nearly prevented from performing at all—Zero Mostel, the only American in the cast who was not allowed into this country by Equity, who *claimed* any English actor could do the job, which seems improbable to anyone who has ever seen or heard the extraordinary Jewish comedian. "Alright, this is a cartoon, I'll take it to New *York and do it there*", *said* Rosen. And he did. He thinks the character, Kehaar the friendly gull, is going to be the newest, biggest American superstar. Although all the other voices are English he was careful to avoid the upper-class accents of the Adams book. "That's all outdated now", he says.

Through sheer ignorance Rosen says he brought a *degree of innovation to animation* asking for things like zooms and 360° pans which were held impossible because they were so laborious. The film took four years to make when he predicted two, and, a glutton for punishment, he is now embarking on an animated version of Adams's *The Plague Dogs*. His team have already reconnoitred the Lake District as they did Watership Down in preparation to drawing it in similar watercolour style. This time, however, Rosen thinks he might exchange his loft headquarters near Warren Street for a loft in San Francisco and draw on the animated talents which seem to flourish in California in the universities of Santa Cruz and Santa Barbara where cartooning is one of the most popular courses.

Glenys Roberts



Philip Kassler (as George Llewelyn Davies) and Ian Holm

Easy to be drawn into the Barrie web

The Lost Boys
BBC 2

Michael Church

What, *another*, sensitive and tasteful evocation of bourgeois life in Edwardian England? Yes, and this time something quite out of the ordinary. I settled to watch the first part of Andrew Birkin's trilogy *The Lost Boys* with no very great expectations but I was drawn into the Barrie web with some rapidity. After seeing a preview of Part 1, I strayed out *into* Piccadilly feeling a bit like a lost boy myself.

The second section had indeed *ended in a horrifying climax*. Suddenly one had seen that Barrie's desperation to prevent the boys from seeing their dead mother sprang not from deference to her dying wish but from his terror lest they discover the engagement ring he had just slipped on to her finger. "Congratulations, Mr Barrie": in the circumstances there could scarcely have been a more stinging remark, and we left the playwright cringing in an agony of grief and humiliation.

But the hopelessness of Barrie's predicament (and the tragedy of the boys') had been vividly communicated long before this point was reached: the stately sweep of events, in that cushioned Edwardian opulence, had allowed ample time for the necessary reverberations. Desire, devotion, disease and death loomed out in disturbingly intimate close-up.

No Barrie expert, I can only take this production's word for it that things were once thus, but am happy to do so. There seemed some slight incompatibility between Ian Holm's taciturn Barrie and the fact that certain children and adults were enslaved by him, but as Part 2 progressed one began to see why: the charm lay less in his whimsical unpredictability than in the fact that he took his chosen people absolutely seriously. If there is one thing that children in particular are suckers for, it is that.

Despite the first episode's slightly confusing structure Rodney Bennett's direction has for the most part been magnificent. The playwright's relationship with the small boys has come over as an odd amalgam of comradeship and coquetry. Ian Holm's own son Barnaby, as George, swung round the trees by the Serpentine betraying a kindling interest reminiscent of *Death in Venice*. The scene in which the playwright flirted morosely over a draughtboard with his new favourite was extraordinarily suggestive: riddles, impromptu poems, and a smoke ring on the boy's wedding finger.

Ann Bell and Maureen O'Brien, as the central women in Barrie's life, splendidly played their very different parts. The former was every inch the unconscious enchantress, *sailing grandly at the* head of her little family ship, so confidently happy that no incursion of the kind Barrie represented could be a threat. Miss O'Brien presented a bitter portrait, wilting pathetically under her husband's indifference, reviving with her clandestine affair.

Although the focus of the title—and the emphasis of much of the script—was on the Llewelyn Davies boys the central image was that of the dark creator, the eternal lost boy. Gazing absently out of a window, spitting out a devastating remark, playing a dark-browed Captain Hook in a nursery *Peter Pan*, scribbling an epigram to be deciphered with a mirror, Ian Holm's Barrie ruled absolutely. When, occasionally, events ruled him, he simply wished them away. And hence this production's strange achievement: to suggest that all these autonomous people living and dying were somehow at the same time figments of that tiny notebook clamped between those clumsy hands.

James Burke's Connections
BBC1

Joan Bakewell

OK, we have this particular problem with this particular piece of broadcasting in the autumn schedule. It triggered the BBC to send James Burke to 150 locations in 20 countries for three years at the cost of thousands of licences and then to spread the whole thing across the early evenings of 10 Tuesdays just as David Bellamy is in full spate on ITV explaining, in his equally inimitable way, another zone of human knowledge. Books and records to follow, no doubt.

They are television's equivalent of instalment publishing: each week you add another colourful, easy-to-follow, fully-illustrated issue to the sum total of what you already know. As publishers have found with series on world wars, house crafts, cookery and car maintenance, subscriptions tend to fall off once the opening surprise is over and readers have caught the general drift.

The general drift of James Burke's *Connections* is that everything in the world is in some way linked to something else and that everything that went before can account for everything to come after. That is either profoundly philosophical or hugely obvious. Certainly it is not original. Cause and effect have been bouncing around the world of ideas for some time now. And science fictionists like Ray Bradbury have traced modern technology back, forth, and inside out until we are all appallingly aware of our dependence on the artifacts and services that Burke seems to think we take for granted.

Surely lights fuse, drains clog, cars fail and tankers leak often enough for the frailty of the whole set-up to be part of our daily awareness of it. What is original is James Burke himself. And here we reach the true BBC trigger: they see in him the articulate enthusiast with journalistic flair for spinning a teasing tale out of complicated ideas.

Episode one certainly did that, reconstructing the New York blackout of 1965, driving us back to the land and through *history to the apocalyptic* triumph of the invention of the plough. And it was good to see television's technology proving its own thesis, linking Karnak, Kuwait and Niagara with images and editing as fluent as James Burke's chatter. The detective trail that links one thing to another is full of visual delights. The true test will be whether we can stand a single thin idea told ten times over without any social or political context.

Richard III
Young Vic

Irving Wardle

If fearless vulgarity is one mark of creative vigour, Michael Bogdanov certainly qualifies in this opening production of the Young Vic's "Action Man" trilogy (to be followed by *Hamlet* and *The Tempest*).

"Modern dress" is a pale description for a version that also runs to press photographers, newspaper vendors and couriers on bicycles; which lets Gloucester invite Lady Anne to run him through with a scout knife, and shows Stanley tipping off Richmond's forces from a call-box.

Like Mr Bogdanov's *Bartholomew Fair*, the production opens with a modern exposition, in this case a cocktail party held round the corpse of Henry VI, and that first visual collision of champagne glasses and bleeding mortality assures the spectator that he is in safe hands. The production aims to clarify the play's politics for young audiences and if the pleasure it gave me is anything to go by, it certainly delivers the goods.

It does come as an illuminating shock to see Hastings's death prefixed with a coronation committee meeting complete with agenda papers; to see the throne updated into a top-floor executive chair with Gloucester swivelling in a murderous arc.

The climax is much strengthened by cutting the battle scenes and showing Richmond ceremonially cleaving the boar's head with a butcher's axe to a stupendous Handel chorus.

Some of the casting, particularly among the *women*, is feeble, but not the central partnership of Bill Wallis, an adipose, urgently hobbling joker who repeatedly convinces you that there is no real harm in Gloucester: and Michael Artwell's Buckingham, a grey-flannel-suited, crew-cut *eminence grise* inescapably suggestive of the Watergate Praetorian Guard, and matching his master's incessant activity with vigilant stillness. Effective Gloucesters may be ten a penny: effective Buckinghams are a rarer commodity, and here is one to rank with the postwar memory of Nicholas Hannen.

The Revenge of the Werewolf
Coliseum, Oldham

Ned Chaillet

Nothing can keep a good monster down, and Ken Hill's werewolf has risen from the ashes of one death in Prussia to strike terror in the moors of Lancashire. The moon also rises on a new life for Oldham's Coliseum Theatre, resurrected like the werewolf and restored to life with a new director, a face-lift and a new company.

The theatre and the werewolf make a happy couple, but there are more wonders than a wolf man in Mr Hill's new musical. There is Hilda, the wolf girl of Walpurgisdorf, played by Sally Gibson as a black-leather vision with a love for discipline. There is the ominous Dr Zeller, the mesmerist who employs Hilda, and there is Inspektor Otto Krueger, a Prussian veteran of the last encounter with the werewolf. At one point there is even a hand without a body that leaps to the throat of Kitty, the young woman who is the reason for the werewolf's return.

Mr Hill's madcap terrors are strong on atmosphere and though the moors and caves of Lancashire in 1938 may not have the ancient attractions of Prussia—werewolves grow on trees in Walpurgisdorf—Kenneth Alan Taylor's production sends shadows over the graveyard and clouds scudding across the moon often enough to provoke a couple of shrieks to go with the laughter.

In a long, inspired scene, the worthy young hero, Lord D'Arcy, seems to be transformed into a wolf, his head and hands growing *shaggier each time they* disappear for a moment into handy caves. When the transformation is complete, theatrical trick though that is shown to be, there are still screams when the actor leaps into the audience.

That is the trick of the play, to be funny and slightly frightening through simple theatrical enthusiasm. *The Revenge of the Werewolf* is a romp, and at the same time a play specially written for Oldham, making it a celebration of the theatre's revival. It is as cleverly written as one might expect of Mr Hill, with bouncy music by Ian Armit.

It may leave no lingering mark on the moors, but it will almost certainly lead to the return of more werewolves from Mr Hill's pen. With parts like the singing Lancashire police constable, seized with enthusiasm by Keith Ladd, and the innocence of Kitty, where Linda Jean-Barry fits in an enthusiastic striptease, there will always be actors happy to be part of the occasion.

Philharmonia/Mata/Galway
Festival Hall/Radio 3

Noel Goodwin

Bearing a pair of golden flutes like a latter-day Roman Hictor, James Galway on Tuesday gave the premiere of the *Concierto Pastoral*, written for him by Joaquin Rodrigo, the blind Spanish composer who will be 76 this year, and who was present to hear it. One of Mr Galway's flutes reposed on a spare chair throughout, so that I wondered what necessitated such a reserve, when most flautists can make do with one of the ordinary kind. It could hardly have been the demands of the music, which put the soloist through some virtuoso paces to start with and then settled down to become agreeable in style but somewhat vapid in character.

The three movements, broken by bursts of applause, lacked *the nostalgic charm that* has made Rodrigo's *Concierto de Aranjuez* so popular among guitarists, but the composer's skill showed in the delicate orchestral accompaniment, restricted to four single wind instruments and strings, which *Eduardo Mata conducted with* assurance.

The nature of the solo writing frequently seemed more suited to rustic Pan-pipes than a sophisticated flute, golden or otherwise. Its effect in any case was eclipsed by a carefully prepared encore, an arrangement of the dancing Finale from Rodrigo's *Fantasia para un gentilhombre* with a solo flute instead of guitar.

It would be a matter of pride for a Mexican conductor to acquit himself well in Copland's *El salon Mexico*, which Mr Mata chose to open the concert. He brought to it a crisp rhythmic momentum, suitably raucous wind instrument playing, and a larger than life overall impression through exaggerated accents. The orchestra responded with a cheerful enthusiasm that owed more perhaps to the popular directness of the musical ingredients than to the skill with which Copland manipulated them.

Early Music tours

The Early Music Network has been launched on its first season with tours during 1978-79 by 11 early music groups, playing compositions ranging from medieval times to the eighteenth century. Organized on the lines of the Contemporary Music Network, the three-year pilot schemes enables early music groups to tour a particular programme round a wide selection of venues in Britain.

The Landini Consort is already on tour, with a programme of medieval and Tudor English songs and dances mixed with early Italian music. The Guildhall Waits launch a short tour at the Wigmore Hall tonight playing German Renaissance wind band music. In November the New London Consort, the London Pro Musica and the Madrigal Players set out on tour, and early next year there will be tours by the Extempore String Ensemble, the Consort of Musicke, the Academy of Ancient Music, the Yorkshire Baroque Soloists, Quadro Hotteterre and L'Ecole d'Orphée.

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Law Report October 18 1978 — Chancery Division

Choice of names of newspapers limited

Morning Star Cooperative Society Ltd v Express Newspapers Ltd
Before Mr Justice Foster

Mr Justice Foster, in giving reasons for his decision last Friday against allowing the Morning Star Cooperative Society Ltd to stop Express Newspapers Ltd launching in November a new national daily paper called *Daily Star*, stated that the society had failed to show that they had a real chance of succeeding if the case went to trial.

The society were claiming an interim injunction on the ground that Express Newspapers would be passing off the *Daily Star* in such a way that it would imply a connexion with the *Morning Star*. His Lordship, however, said that the two papers were so different in every way that only a moron in a hurry would be misled.

Mr D. J. Turner-Samuels, QC, and Mr Stephen Sedley for the Morning Star society; Mr Swinton Tomas, QC, and Mr C. L. Purle for Express Newspapers.

HIS LORDSHIP said that *Morning Star* was the name given in 1966 to the *Daily Worker*, a national daily paper started in 1930. Express Newspapers, proprietors of the *Daily Express* intended to start publication of the *Daily Star* in November. Initially in the North East and the North Midlands.

To establish an arguable case that the new newspaper would be passed off as the *Morning Star*, the society had to show some misrepresentation, express or implied, on the part of Express Newspapers that it was connected with the society's business and that, as a result, damage was likely to be caused to the society. The first question was whether there was an issue to be tried, or, to put it another way, whether the proposed newspaper would deceive members of the public into buying it, thinking it was the society's paper. In considering whether to grant an interlocutory injunction the court had to be satisfied that there was some likelihood of such confusion occurring as would entitle the plaintiffs to an injunction at the trial of the action, where all the evidence now before the court would have to be tested by cross-examination.

His Lordship went on to discuss the main differences between the two newspapers. As to name, there were many examples of papers with similarities in the name and whatever name was chosen would possibly be open to attack as in the present case. For many years an evening paper had been published in Sheffield called *The Star*.

There was a conflict of evidence as to whether the *Morning Star* was popularly known as "the *Star*", though Express Newspapers had freely admitted that they expected the new paper to be popularly known as "the *Star*". His Lordship thought that "star" was a descriptive and popular rather than a fancy or distinctive word. It had a long-established meaning in general use as a title for newspapers. The number of names given to newspapers had been curiously limited.

Technically the *Morning Star* was a continental broadsheet, ie, slightly smaller than *The Times*. On the other hand, the *Daily Star* would be a tabloid like *The Sun* and the *Daily Mirror*.

The *Morning Star* sold about 21,000 copies in this country and about 14,000 abroad. The *Daily Star* aimed at a sale of over one million copies, initially, in competition with the *Mirror* (3.8 million copies) and *The Sun* (3.7 million copies). It would not seek to attract *Morning Star* readers.

The contents of the two papers would be completely different, the *Morning Star* being a left-wing political paper catering for members of the Communist Party and for those of the far left. The *Daily Star* was to be "a popular, lively, exciting newspaper", most of its front page would contain startlingly large headlines, and inside there would be pictures of nearly nude models.

A massive advertising campaign was about to be launched for the *Daily Star*. It would be sold at newsagents; the *Morning Star* in many cases was sold by left-wing persons in the factory or at the factory gate.

The price of the *Morning Star* was 12p; the *Daily Star* would cost 6p. If a purchaser of the *Morning Star* was given a copy of the *Daily Star* he would be staggered if he only had to pay 6p. The *Daily Star* would have 32 pages while the *Morning Star* had some six or eight pages.

Those differences had led his Lordship to answer in the negative the question whether the society had any real chance of succeeding at the trial. Putting the two papers side by side, he would find that the two papers were so different in every way that only a moron in a hurry would be misled.

His Lordship had been referred to many cases, including *D. C. Thomson & Co Ltd v Kent Messenger Ltd*, a decision of Mr Justice Megarry in 1974. The present case seemed much stronger for the refusal of interlocutory relief. In that case the *Sunday Post* tried to stop the *South East Sunday Post* being started. Mr Justice Megarry concluded that the two publications were totally different in appearance, content, price and availability, and were not likely to be confused one with the other except by a very small unobservant section of society, and he refused interlocutory relief. His Lordship would wish to adopt almost the whole of Mr Justice Megarry's judgment as he so entirely agreed with it and the facts were so close to the present case.

His Lordship's conclusion, on the evidence, was that the society had failed to show that they had any chance of succeeding at the trial. But it did not end there. Even if that conclusion was wrong and on the evidence the society had shown an arguable case, it did not follow that they would be entitled to interlocutory relief. In *John Walker & Sons Ltd v Rothmans International Ltd* (1978) Mr Justice Brightman, although holding that there was a serious issue to be tried, refused to grant interlocutory relief because there was a certainty of unquantifiable damage to the defendant. That was the position in the present case.

The loss to Express Newspapers, if stopped now from publishing the *Daily Star* and succeeding at the trial, could not be quantified. The amount expended to date in promoting the new newspaper could be quantified and was not large, but when they announced that they were considering publishing a new national daily newspaper, the venture received considerable free publicity—and no wonder as, apart from the *Daily Worker*, there had been none for 71 years. If the newspaper had to change its name now, there would be a heavy loss, and the loss of confidence in the venture and of the publicity could not be quantified.

On the other hand, the business of the society in their newspaper was of little or no value. On September 28, 1978, their assets amounted to £170,000 and their liabilities to £260,000, and they had to find some £9,000 a month to keep going. Even if then they did have an arguable case, interlocutory relief would not be granted because of the certainty of unquantifiable damage to Express Newspapers.

Where the damage could not be quantified and it was clear that a plaintiff was unlikely to be able to pay any appreciable damages, no interlocutory relief should be given.

Solicitors: Seifert Sedley & Co for the society; Lovell, White & King for Express Newspapers.

Queen's Bench Division

Company liable to employee in payroll attack

Charlton v Forrest Printing Ink Co Ltd
Before Mr Justice Forbes
[Judgment delivered October 16]

A company which used its employees to collect the weekly wages from a bank rather than employ a security firm for the purpose was held, in the special circumstances of the case, to be in breach of its duty to take reasonable care for the safety of an employee who was robbed and injured while collecting the wages.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff, Mr Peter Charlton, aged 59, of West Wickham, Kent, in his action for negligence against his employers, Forrest Printing Ink Co Ltd, of Gray's Inn Road, London.

Mr Richard Clegg for Mr Charlton; Mr Timothy Preston for the company.

HIS LORDSHIP said that Mr Charlton was employed as a chief chemist and manager by the company which had its head office in Gray's Inn Road and a factory, laboratory and general office at Barking. Until 1974 the weekly wages were collected from a bank in Fleet Street by two company employees and taken to Gray's Inn Road to be made up into wage packets. The wage packets for Barking were then picked up by one of the three Barking managers and taken there in a minicab. In July, 1974, a manager collecting the Barking wages was attacked in Gray's Inn Road. He was not injured, and the robber ran straight into the hands of the police and was arrested.

The incident, however, caused great concern to the managing director, Mr Bowes, as regarding both wages and the safety of employees collecting them. The obvious solution was to pay wages by cheque or Giro, but the unions opposed the idea. After consultation, in which his Lordship was satisfied Mr Charlton was involved, Mr Bowes decided that the Barking wages should be collected from a bank in Barking, and that variations in the method of collection should be introduced, as to the bank branches used, days of collection, times, routes, vehicles and personnel.

On February 20, 1977, Mr Charlton and another employee went to collect the wages. On the way back they were set upon by bandits, who smashed a bottle of ammonia in Mr Charlton's face, causing severe damage to the sight of both his eyes. He claimed damages from the company, saying that there had been a breach of the employer's duty to his employees. Mr Clegg put the case in two ways: that Mr Charlton was never given proper instructions on ways to reduce the risk of injury to himself when collecting wages, which was not his usual job, and that the company should have employed a security firm to collect the wages.

Mr Preston accepted the principle that an employer was under a duty to take reasonable care to see that his employees were not subjected to unnecessary risk of injury, including injury from criminals, and that in the present case the risk of attack by robbers was foreseeable. It was then pertinent to inquire against what degree of risk the prudent employer should guard. The answer was "... a person must be regarded as negligent if he does not take steps to eliminate a risk which he knows or ought to know is a real risk and not a mere possibility which would never influence the mind of a reasonable man": per Lord Reid in *The Wagon Mound (No 2)* ([1967] 1 AC 617, 642).

No doubt the company had regarded the risk to employees collecting wages as a "real risk", but his Lordship rejected Mr Clegg's first contention. Mr Bowes had not failed to instruct or warn Mr Charlton as to the necessity of varying the method of collection. Moreover, unknown to Mr Bowes, the suggested variations had not, for a variety of reasons, been put into practice.

Mr Clegg's second contention was based on a later passage of Lord Reid's speech in *The Wagon Mound* (p 643): "If a real risk is one which would occur to the mind of a reasonable man in the position of the defendant's servant and which he would not brush aside as far-fetched, and if the criterion is to be what that reasonable man would have done in the circumstances, then surely he would not neglect such a risk if action to prevent it presented no difficulty, involved no disadvantage and required no expense."

The probable cost of paying a security firm to collect weekly wages up to £25,000 was only £7.50 a week in 1977 and £9.50 a week today. That cost was infinitesimal in real terms when it was considered that the sum was deductible before corporation tax and that two of three managers would be released to get on with their own job.

The assistant manager of Barclays Bank at Barking, who was called as a witness, produced a table which, although too small a sample to have statistical significance, showed that all the bank's customers with payrolls over £3,000 a week used security firms, that 17 per cent of those with payrolls under £3,000 did so, and that of the latter category 43 per cent of those with payrolls between £1,500 and £3,000 did so.

It seemed to his Lordship that there might well be payroll figures above which it would be only sensible to employ a firm, but it was not possible on the available evidence to say what that figure was. His Lordship was not satisfied that the company's payroll of between £1,500 and £1,800 a week was above the necessary mark. An employer's duty was to take sensible precautions to protect his workmen if they were involved in tasks that might be dangerous. Although violent crime had increased, his Lorship could not believe that it had reached such a pitch that it was necessary to say as a matter of principle that an employer was negligent if he did not employ a professional security firm to fetch and carry the wages. It was a matter of fact and degree in each case.

It had to be remembered, as Mr Justice Diplock had pointed out in *Houghton v Hackney Borough Council* ((1961) 3 KIR 615, 618), that in the present type of case one was concerned not so much with precautions to prevent the loss of money as with what could be done to prevent personal injury to employees. It had been suggested in argument that the receptacle used to collect the wages should have been chained to the collector's wrist. Such a precaution would minimize the risk of loss of money but would increase the risk of injury at the hands of determined robbers. The advice to the collector might well be "don't resist: hand over the money".

One could not know how many employers who opted for security firms did so for financial rather than humanitarian reasons. His Lordship found it impossible to say that a reasonable firm with a weekly payroll of £1,500 should as a matter of principle regard the employment of a security firm as necessary: it would be justified in using its own employees, taking all reasonable precautions.

However, certain factors in the present case distinguished it from the ordinary case. In the mid-1960s the company had called in a security firm to advise on the collection of wages. At that time wage collectors were at risk while they were carrying made-up wage packets across Gray's Inn Road to a waiting car and from there to Barking. The risk could not be eliminated by employing a security firm except by entrusting the firm with making up wage packets and delivering them to Gray's Inn Road and Barking. Owing to the peculiar requirements of the Barking work force that was not possible in the time available.

After the change in the arrangements in 1974, Mr Bowes, although greatly solicitous of the safety of the employees, did not fully appreciate that the previous objections to employing a security firm no longer existed. Indeed, a week after the attack on Mr Charlton, the company retained the services of a security firm. In the light of the company's history, and Lord Reid's criterion of what a reasonable man would have done in the circumstances, any reasonable employer should have realized that for a virtually trivial expense the risk of injury to the employees could have been removed in that way. In the special circumstances of the case, the company had failed in its duty of care to Mr Charlton.

Damages would be assessed, as the full extent of his injuries was not yet apparent.

Solicitors: Vaudrey, Osborne & Mellor, Manchester; Hall Clark.

Court of Appeal

Overstaying immigrant has no right of appeal

Regina v Hamid
Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Eveleigh and Mr Justice Smith
[Judgment delivered October 13]

A person not a patrial who overstays leave to remain for a limited time in the United Kingdom without having applied for an extension of the time before its expiry, cannot claim temporary immunity from conviction of an offence under section 24(1)(b)(i) of the Immigration Act, 1971, on the ground that he has sent to the Secretary of State a form of appeal requesting a hearing before an adjudicator, so that therefore an appeal was pending within section 14(1).

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by Mohammad Abdul Hamid, aged 29, a Pakistani, against conviction at Kingston upon Thames Crown Court (Recorder: Mr L. Gassman) of contravening section 24(1)(b)(i). He was fined £75.

Section 14(1) provides: "... a person who has a limited leave under this Act to ... remain in the United Kingdom may appeal to an adjudicator ... against any refusal to vary it; and a variation shall not take effect so long as an appeal is pending under this subsection against the variation nor shall an appellant be required to leave the United Kingdom by reason of the expiration of his leave so long as his appeal is pending ... against a refusal to ... remove the limit on the duration of the leave."

Section 24(1) provides: "A person who is not a patrial shall be guilty of an offence ... (b) if, having only a limited leave to ... remain in the United Kingdom, he knowingly ... (i) remains beyond the time limited by the leave ..."

Mr D. L. Mitchels for the appellant; Miss K. Blundell-Jones for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the appellant entered the United Kingdom in 1973 with leave to remain until 1974, and his leave was later extended to 1975. In September, 1975, he applied for a further extension for study, but it was refused in May, 1976, on the ground that he had not offered evidence of a full-time course of daytime study. However, the Secretary of State granted permission for the appellant to stay until June 18, 1976, to allow him time to get himself ready to go. That date was the end of the appellant's lawful stay.

He remained and looked around for the possibility of appeal. Eventually he put forward a new ground: in January, 1977, he married a woman said to be settled in this country and asked for the limitation of time on his leave to stay to be removed. The Secretary of State took the view that the woman was not so settled and refused the application.

Nevertheless, the appellant sought legal advice and submitted a home-made document in the form of a notice of appeal to an adjudicator. The document, dated June 23, 1977, stated that the appellant requested a hearing and would call witnesses.

He had no right of appeal because the right under section 14 did not apply to someone whose leave expired before he made application for an extension. The importance of section 14(1) was that, if the appellant was entitled to immunity, it would give him a first rate defence to the charge under section 24. However, nothing which he had done after June 18, 1976, could produce a situation in which the Secretary of State had the right, let alone the duty, to extend the leave.

The argument was that, although the appellant had no right of appeal, yet section 14 and the applicable regulations were such that the case had to be treated, so far as immunity was concerned, as though he had a valid right of appeal.

That argument was not open because of the principle enunciated by Lord Russell of Killowen in *Suthendran v Immigration Appeal Tribunal* ([1977] AC 359, 372): "... his purported appeal to an adjudicator under section 14(1) from a refusal to vary had no standing, there being no power in the Secretary of State to vary the defunct limited leave."

It could not be argued that the document submitted by the appellant was to be treated in all respects as though it were a valid notice of appeal. As Lord Justice Eveleigh had pointed out in argument, if the appellant's argument was right, anybody whose limited leave had expired would have immunity for six months and, if he had not found other accommodation at the end of that time, he could presumably give another notice and have accommodation for another six months.

The appellant's argument was hopeless and the appeal was dismissed.

Solicitors: Registrar of Criminal Appeals; Solicitor, Metropolitan Police.

Boy talks of visit to flat to buy cannabis

From Our Correspondent
Reading

David Smith-Ryland, aged 17 described at Reading Crown Court, Berkshire, yesterday, a cannabis buying journey he made with another boy while they were pupils at Harrow.

At the start of his evidence Smith-Ryland, of Sherbourne Park, Warwick, was warned by Judge Christopher Lee that he need not answer questions that might incriminate him.

Smith-Ryland said that during term time in May last year he and a school friend, whom he refused to name, went to Oxford. "We had lunch and then went to a flat at my older brother's girl friend's", he added. "Afterwards we went to Portland Road, Oxford, to buy some chemicals. I was given that address by someone else as a place where we could get cannabis.

"Three of us went, the schoolboy and someone else I am not prepared to identify. A coloured man opened the door. He offered us a drink and we declined.

"Then I or one of us said we had come to buy some cannabis. We were shown to a room in the house, and the man asked us how much we wanted to buy. One of us asked him the price and he said £7 a quarter of an ounce.

"I cannot remember who paid but it was between £5 and £15. Then we left. We knew the man as Isaac but did not know his surname.

Smith-Ryland, who has now left the school, admitted writing a letter later that year addressed to Isaac asking him about the possibility of buying 3oz of herbal cannabis for £84. He went to the house a second time but there was no reply. He never saw Isaac again.

In the dock was Isaac Seray-Wurie, aged 28, of Portland Road, Oxford, who denies supplying David Smith-Ryland with herbal cannabis, smuggling 18.8 kg of the drug into Britain, possessing cannabis and cultivating three plants. At the time of the alleged offences he was an undergraduate studying law at Keble College, Oxford.

The trial continues today.

FA Youth Trust not a charity

Inland Revenue Commissioners v Sir Stephen Andrew Stephen and Others

The Court of Appeal by a majority dismissed an appeal from Mr Justice Walton (*The Times*, July 13, 1977), who allowed an appeal against the decision of the Charity Commissioners and granted a declaration that the Football Association Youth Trust was not entitled to be registered as a charity under section 4 of the Charities Act, 1960, on the ground that the objects set out in the trust deed were not legally charitable or not exclusively legally charitable.

Lord Justice Bridge delivered a dissenting judgment.

The objects of the trust set out in clause 3 of the trust deed are "(a) to organize or provide ... facilities which will enable or encourage pupils of schools and universities in any part of the United Kingdom to play Association football or other games or sports and thereby to assist in ensuring that due attention is given to the physical education and development of such pupils as well as to the development and occupation of their minds, and with a view to furthering this object."

By paragraph (b) a further object was to "organize or provide ... facilities for physical recreation in the interests of social welfare ... for boys and girls under the age of 21 ... who by reason of youth, social and economic circumstances have need for such facilities."

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was granted.

SPORT

Golf



Just another scratch player? No, it's Tom Weiskopf hiding behind unfamiliar facial rough.

Jam for all in the new Walton Heath pot

By Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent

The full paraphernalia of a modern golf tournament has descended on Walton Heath where the biggest total of prize money in a stroke play tournament this year will be disputed over the next four days in the European Open championship. Those who associate the heathland course with the secluded retreat of Cabinet ministers and the chance of seeing *James Braid going round in a score* close to his age, will be surprised to find a vast press marquee in the middle of the first fairway and a tented village set down on the 18th of the Old.

Matchplay championships have been held there, but nothing approaching this with its £18,000 first prize and everyone down to the hundredth hard-earned place assured of at least £250 pocket money. The American entry is strong, not perhaps as strong as is eventually hoped for, but not at all a bad start. The player highest in the United States order of merit playing here this week is Dr Gil Morgan, a qualified occulist, whose victory in the World Series raised him to second place and who has since followed the current American fashion of winning two in succession, by his victory in the Pacific Masters in Japan.

He is travelling a great deal just now and picked up a heavy cold in Hongkong, but if the weather holds, a few days on the heath should soon cure that. Eight other competing Americans are all in the top 30 in this year's order of merit. Prominent among them is Tom Weiskopf, fresh from a hunting holiday where he grew a beard. The course has already come in for much praise, not least from Weiskopf, who described the last nine as "as good as anywhere I have played."

In order to find more space, the course has been rearranged. The first and third holes have been swallowed up and two holes, the 12th and 13th, have been borrowed from the New, making a strong combination. It has also been necessary to switch the finishing hole to the New, because of the proximity of the Old 18th to the road. The total length is 7,130 yards, but without wind, it should play much shorter because the fairways are running.

Mahaffey, the American PGA champion, described the putting surfaces in terms that would have made the head greenkeeper blush. Mahaffey himself has been working hard on his game since Wentworth last week. He has had three rounds here and hit a great many practice balls.

He was specially pleased to be bracketed today with Roberto de Vicenzo, a veteran champion for whom he has a great respect. The third member of that trio will be Tony Jacklin. All the European players of note are taking part, for no one would want to miss a tournament where the 26th prize is £1,000, or to miss the chance of getting a flying start to next season's Ryder Cup points, for which Continental players will also be eligible.

The last threesome is off at one o'clock, and at this time of year, daylight is precious, which is why the field is restricted to 100. Preparations have been on a scale comparable to that for the Open, including the now familiar comprehensive scoreboard beside the last green. It is even expected that Jack Nicklaus, chairman of the advisory board, may fly in, not to play, but to cast an expert eye on an event which even in a world context is aiming far and high.

Marchbank triumphs over rain, wind and course

From a Special Correspondent
Pacific Harbour, Oct 18

Britain and Ireland were second with Sweden at the end of the first round of their defence of the Eisenhower Trophy, the world amateur team golf championship, which began here today. They were, however, eight strokes behind the United States, winners on six of the 10 occasions that the event has been played since its inauguration in 1958.

Britain are in contention mainly because of a round of 72, level par, by Brian Marchbank, the son of the Gleneagles professional. He was the last to complete his round on the rain-soaked course, on which 17 inches of rain has fallen in the past five days. Of the other members of the British team, Peter McEvoy, the only Englishman, had a 73, Allan Brodie, a 76 and Gordon Brand, a third Scot, a 78. As only the best three rounds count, Britain's total was 221.

Sandy Saddler, the non-playing captain, knew that he desperately needed a fine round from Marchbank. The young Scot took 38 to the turn, driving out of bounds at the sixth. By the time he played the 10th, he knew the scores of his colleagues and how much depended on him. He came back in 34 in spite of a tropical storm that continued throughout the last six holes of his round. He holed from a bunker at the 17th and then had a par four at the 18th in the teeth of the gale.

Throughout his round McEvoy always looked as if he was about to cut loose, but it never happened. He did not have the breaks. He made a disastrous start, driving into a ditch out of bounds at the first and then overhitting the green, but he chipped back and holed the putt. He reached the turn in 38 and missed a short putt to go three over par at the 10th.

213: US (J. Cook 75, B. Clampett 79, S. Hoch 70, J. Siegel 74).
222: Sweden (G. Lundquist 76, P. Rube 77, M. Sorling 70, B. Brodin 75); GB and Ireland (G. Brand 77, A. Brodie 76, P. McEvoy 73, S. Marchbank 72).
225: Canada (G. Cowan 73, D. Mick 77, D. Roxburgh 72, V. Tremblay 78); Australia (C. Bonython 75, A. Gresham 75, P. Sweeney 76, P. Wood 72).
227: NZ (G. Clarke 71, P. Bartstone 80, P. Mosley 76, F. Nobbs 80).
230: France (F. Moiz 75, J. Mouriles 81, T. Prandin 81, P. Plouioux 74).
231: Germany (K. Flint 93, T. Steiner 80, V. Pagel 79, C. Streuber 72).
235: Italy (F. Gigliarelli 83, A. Lionetin 80, A. Schiaffino 73, L. Silva 82); Japan (G. Nakabe 78, T. Sakata 78, F. Sano 79, M. Shioda 80); Switzerland (F. Bollat 78, M. Frank 75, Y. Hotstetter 82, J. Storjohann 82).
238: Bermuda (L. Moult 82, K. Swan 77, H. Trott 79, P. Tucker 87); Spain (G. Escauriaza 80, N. Sagarvilla 82, R. Taya 76, A. Vidaor 82).
239: Russia (R... Bodenseer 85, J. Lamberg 82, M. Lamberg 87, E. Nierrich 73); India (P. Sahi 80, A. Singh 81, L. Singh 78, V. Singh 150); Netherlands (J. Nolte 82, V. Swane 82, H. van Dam 80, J. van Weck 78).

Leading individuals

69: R. Clampett (US).
70: M. Sorling (Sweden), S. Hoch (US).
71: G. Clarke (NZ).
72: P. Wood (Australia), K. Nierlich (Austria), D. Roxburgh (Canada), C. Streuber (Germany), B. Marchbank (GB and Ireland).
73: G. Cowan (Canada), A. Schiaffino (Italy), P. McEvoy (GB and Ireland).
74: J. Siegel (US), P. Plouioux (France).
75: B. Svedin (Sweden), C. Bonython (Australia), A. Gresham (Australia), F. Moiz (France), M. Frank (Switzerland), J. Cook (US).

Baseball

Yankees fight back to win the World Series again

Los Angeles, Oct 18.—New York Yankees made a great recovery in the World Baseball Series last night when they beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 7—2 to win their second straight world championship by 4—2.

The Yankees, who in mid-July looked as though they had little chance of finishing first in their own American League division let alone winning the World Series, attacked Dodgers' pitching for 11 hits, including a two-run homer by Reggie Jackson. Jim Hunter was the winning pitcher in last night's sixth game of the best-of-seven series.

The victory gave the Yankees their twenty-second World Series championship—they have long held the record—and their seventh win over the Dodgers. For New York the series victory was typical of the way they had played all the year—coming from behind.

The Dodgers won the first two games in Los Angeles, but the Yankees returned to New York and won all three home games before making it four straight last night. Los Angeles took a one-run lead in the first inning when their second baseman, Davey Lopes, hit a home run into the left-field stands. Yankees romped back with three runs in the second and were never behind again.

Los Angeles cut the margin to 3—2 in the third as Joe Ferguson doubled to right-centre and scored as Lopes singled to centre. But the Yankees scored a pair of runs each in the sixth and seventh, the last two on the home run by Jackson, to make the game and the series safe.—Reuter.

Tennis

Breathing space for a except Miss Hobbs

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

Virginia Wade and Betty Stove, who contested the 1977 Wimbledon final, advanced to the last eight of the women's tennis tournament, sponsored by BMW, at Brighton yesterday. Miss Wade beat Lesley Hunt, 6-2, 6-4, and Miss Stove had a 6-2, 6-3 win over Anne Hobbs. For the third consecutive day, there was plenty of room to spare at the Brighton Centre, where the main arena was reduced from two courts to one. This created space to expand the accommodation to about 3,500, including the occupants of 12 boxes that looked vaguely reminiscent of the furnishings in other, more daunting courts.

The tournament took almost £35,000 in advance bookings for seats. Presumably, the buyers will turn up eventually—assuming they find somewhere to leave their vehicles in a resort that, this week at any rate, might be described as a constipated car park with sea views. But the Brighton Centre is otherwise a good location for a tennis tournament and this new venture has, on the whole, made a promising start.

One particularly interesting feature is that the tie-break is being imposed at 6-6 in every set. This was also the case in the recent United States championships. Some events do not use the tie-break at all, and some, notably Wimbledon, apply it at 8-8 and revert to traditional scoring for what must be the ultimate set. Miss Stove's predecessor as the Women's Tennis Association, said yesterday that sooner or later there had to be firm rules on when the tie-break should be used.

Miss Wade got lost the ultimate set should be played to a finish in the old-fashioned way, but does not dogmatise about it because she considers the tie-break to be fair (now that experiments with a "sudden death" system have been discarded). The tie-break is especially useful at indoor events with restricted court space and playing time. The valid point about Wimbledon's application of the tie-break at 8-8 is, that, in doubles, it means all the play must serve twice. A personal about the tie-break is that is used at all, it should be use every set.

Miss Wade played well ye day. She was born on southern coast, at Bourneme and is enjoying this re return to the bracing cha breezes and the environ where, 12 years ago, she gain science degree. She led 6-2, and 30-0, but lost the next points and had some difficult regaining her momentum. Hunt can be a difficult oppo when she finds her range.

A native of Perth, Wes Australia, this steady tomboy settled in California. It is 11th year on tour and, the still erratic, her forthright s has been disciplined by lessons of experience. Her year was probably 1976 when reached the Italian and Cana finals. At 28, she is fighting way back to prominence months after an elbow opera — the kind of thing that to have a long-term effect o player's confidence.

Miss Stove disposed of Hobbs with slightly more than she did in the Un States championship at Flush Meadow. Miss Hobbs, fr Cheshire, is only 19 and must somewhat intimidated by the that having been chosen Britain's Wightman Cup te she has suddenly had a consi able weight of expectation thr upon her.

This is a testing challenge a phase of her career in wh she is still working on her sh and learning how to play matches. For the moment, she not in Miss Stove's class. B the second set Miss Hobbs 2-0 and 30-0. She then sc three consecutive double fa and was never in the match aga

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Hockey

Sharpness of Onions makes Cambridgeshire suffer

By Sydney Friskin

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A fast and lively hockey match ended at Fenner's yesterday with Cambridge University holding an experienced Cambridgeshire side to an exciting draw. The last few minutes of the match were dominated by the county who, but for a lack of accuracy and control, might have won. They were three times a goal in arrears.

Nevertheless, the young and inexperienced university team gained much encouragement from this, their first game of the season. Last year's fortifications were represented only by Onions in goal and Gallimore, the sweeper; but in creative skills Richard Dodds proved a suitable replacement for his brother, Alistair.

Cambridgeshire, using the occasion as an exercise for their championship match on Sunday against Bedfordshire, were well served in attack by Sobey, now not so fleet of foot, but still clever with his stick, and shrewd in finding the gaps. Their defence was weakened, and will be so for the rest of the season, by the absence of Barber, now committed to the Great Britain training party.

The method by which most of the goals were scored had both variety and oddity. Cowan put Cambridge ahead in the eighth minute with a gentle push, imparting to it a touch of magic which confounded the packed defence. Hill equalized from a short corner just before half time with a mishit, which he said later he had been practising. The ball bounced twice finally to spin past a bewildered defender into the side wall of the net.

When Dodds scored for Cambridge from a short corner in the first minute of the second half the ball was helped into goal by a defender's stick. It was not the strongest of shot with which Sobey drew level four minutes later. Still, there was no one in the goal to stop him.

Dodds did the running on the right to set up the third goal for Cambridge about midway in this period, and when Mertens steered the ball over the line, he did so unchallenged, the goalkeeper having unsuccessfully tried to cut off the centre. When Spiers converted a short corner for Cambridgeshire in the 25th minute, the goalkeeper seemed to have had his shot well covered, but once again, a defender's stick changed its course.

If Cambridgeshire suffered through their own extravagance there was one other factor which prevented them from winning, the alertness of Onions who made two smart saves. It must be said that when Cambridgeshire scored their third goal, Cambridge had been reduced to 10 men, van Delden having been temporarily suspended.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: J. Onions (St Alban's and St. John's), M. Gallimore (Kingston GS and St Catharine's, captain), D. Mansfield (Bishop's Stortford and Pembroke), J. Maxer (Wisbech GS and St. John's), N. Reeves (Windsor GS and St Catharine's), R. Dodds (Kingston GS and St Catharine's), N. van Delden (Kensington HS, Barcelona, and St John's), sub, A. Chiang, Watford GS and Christ's). A. N. Diamond (Kingston GS and St Catharine's), C. Cowan (Bishop Stortford and St Catharine's), S. Rudder (Uppingham and St Catharine's), R. Mertens (Uppingham and St Catharine's).
CAMBRIDGESHIRE: N. ... Lloyd (Nomads), J. Lake (Peterborough), J. Graves (Nomads), C. Hill (City, captain), M. Watson (Nomads), P. Spiers (City), M. Kendall (City), M. Saggers (City), I. Sobey (Nomads), R. Pearson (City) (sub, L. Cowens (City), J. Efford (Nomads).
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Snooker

Twelve champions to play in World Cup event

Michael Barrett, the London boxing promoter, is to launch a £75,000 World Snooker Cup tournament next year.

It is the biggest collective prize ever put up for snooker and Barrett, whose ultimate ambition is to make snooker more popular than pool in the United States, announced yesterday that his commitment is for £250,000 over the next three years.

The reigning champions of 12 countries will compete at Wembley Conference Centre from September 4 to 8 next year. The winner will take £15,000 of the £33,000 prizemoney, £42,000 going towards the players' fares and hotel accommodation, advertising and promotion.

The players will be nominated by the controlling bodies of England, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland, Scotland, Canada, the United States, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, Japan and South America.

Ray Reardon, the world champion; from Stoke, who is the current pot black champion, Doug las Mountjoy, of Ebbw Vale, meet in Leicester on Monday, October 23 in the first match of the £10,000 Forward Chemical Snooker tournament, also announced yesterday. This is a new 15 match round-robin series involving Reardon, Mountjoy, John Spencer (Radcliffe) and Alex Higgins (Manchester).

The players will meet each other three times over nine frames, and the two winning the most matches meet in a play-off final in Manchester on Sunday January 28.

Boxing

Minter to defend title at Wembley next month

Harry Levene, the Wembley promoter, has won the bidding for the European middleweight title contest between Britain's Alan Minter and Gratien Tonna, of France, and will stage it at the Empire Pool on November 7. It will be a significant occasion for Minter because this will be his first appearance in the ring since the summer tragedy in Italy in which Angelo Jacopucci, whom he beat for the vacant title, died from brain damage three days later. Minter considered retiring from boxing but eventually decided against it.

This is the second time this year that Minter has been matched with Tonna who already holds a decision over him. They should have met at the end of last season, but the Frenchman pulled out. "This time he can't get out of it", Mr Levene said yesterday. However if he does, the European Boxing Union have already named the Croydon middleweight, Frankie Lucas, as a standby.

Charlie Magri, the British fly weight champion and Dave Green also have important bouts in the same bill. Magri, at the end of his first year as a professional competes for the Commonwealth flyweight title against Patrick Mambwe, of Zambia, the holder and also the All-African bantamweight champion.

This looks a difficult assignment for the unbeaten Magri, especially if the bout goes past the half-way mark, for the British champion is completely inexperienced in championship-length contests. Green, who should have boxed Carlo Palomino this weekend for the world welterweight title, instead has to make do with a 10-round contest against Santiago Valdez, of the United States. It will be his first contest for eight months for he has spent the summer resting and repairing a damaged right hand.

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Composure, not an accomplishment that comes easily without practice in away European games, especially in Greece, was acquired by Forest from the beginning. *On a difficult, slippery pitch, they* had to suffer some vigorous sliding tackles that could have riled them and cost them their concentration. But within 10 minutes they gave their own answer in the ideal way with a goal by McGovern after excellent work from Woodcock, who had *been one of the first to suffer* from painful tackles.

Bajevic, the big Yugoslavian centre forward, and Mavros, a prolific goalscorer, had made only two positive attacks before Forest took their lead after establishing themselves in midfield where Bowyer was preferred to O'Neill. *They soon allowed themselves to* release men to go forward and AEK's tendency to lose the ball under challenge added to Forest's confidence.

Woodcock made the goal superbly, taking the ball down the line and beating Ravousis before crossing towards Birtles in the goalmouth. As the goalkeeper tried to intercept, Birtles glanced the ball on towards McGovern who, *in spite of being under pressure, forced the ball over the* line.

Forest deserved the encouragement but could hardly have predicted that it would come so early and so easily.

The Greek crowd, noisily boisterous before the game, fell into comparative silence and their team's voice was also almost completely subdued by Forest. Conceding a goal before they had formed a single attac kof importance was a devastating blow that was then compounded by the behviour of their Uruguyn defender, Vier, lter 20 minutes.

Burns hd made a fierce tackle on Idzoglou and, as the pair of *them disentangled themselves,* Viera came across and seemed to punch Burns in the face. The referee was on the spot and ordered Viera off. More poor defending by AEK an dthe vivacity of Forest's counter-attacks took the Greeks into deeper trouble and before half-time, a quick overlap by Clark, chasing Robertson's pass, brought another goal.

Clark saw that the AEK defenders were out-manoeuvred by their own off-side trap and he turned the ball across the goalmouth for Birtles to take possession and calmly step round the goalkeeper to score.

A strange decision by the French referee cost Forest a little of their security, which until the 58th minute seemed beyond dispute. AEK raised two strong attacks in this period, one ended with Mavros turning a shot across the Forest goal and then he broke away again, but Burns was with him, waiting until sure of his tackle. Burns slid across Mavros and, inevitably, both players fell but the tackle seemed legitimate. The referee disagreed and gave a penalty from which Tasos scored.

Having received this generosity, AEK settled to produce their best football of the night, but being outnumbered was a heavy burden. Mavro's speed on the left side was not easily controlled and occasionally, by drawing Burns out to meet him, he found some gaps in the Forest defence. His shooting al*most equalled his persistence and* once he forced Shilton to tip the ball away at the last second.

Shilton was not often so fully stretched, although towards the end, when Forest had clearly decided that their advantage was sufficient, he did need to dive and hold a solid, low shot from Niko*loudis. Much as Mavros continued* to show his undoubted class, his was a lonely task as Forest comfortably defended their lead to the end.

AEK ATHENS: L. Stergiouidas; I. Moussouris, C. Idzoglou (sub, A. Damianidas), P. Ravousis, L. Nikolaou, M. Viera, C. Tasso (sub, D. Tsamis), D. Nikoloudis, D. Bajevic, C. Ardizoglou, T. Mavros.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST: P. Shilton; V. Anderson, F. Clark, J. McGovern, L. Lloyd, K. Burns, I. Bowyer, A. Gemmill, G. Birtles, A. Woodcock, J. Robertson.

Referee: B. Wurtz (France).

Arsenal's casual play goes unpunished

From Norman de Mesquita
Split, Oct 18

Hadjut Split 2 Arsenal 1

Arsenal will be pleased with the result of this second round Uefa Cup tie, but they will wing their way back to north London wondering what might have been if some casual defensive work had been punished, as it should have been by the Yugoslavs.

The first two minutes made it abundantly clear that this was to be a very different game from the one in Leipzig three weeks ago. Hadjuk immediately moved forward and Djordjevic shot over from only 12 yards. He had another chance six minutes later which Jennings saved at full stretch but a defensive error in the thirteenth minute led to the first Hadjuk goal. Having broken up yet another attack, the Arsenal defence indulged in some pretty, triangular movements instead of doing the simple thing and clearing the ball upfield. Eventually, Brady mis-hit a back pass, Jovanic intercepted and Cop headed into the empty goal.

Within three minutes, Brady made amends. He collected a short corner on the left from Rix and aimed for the far post. It seemed to get a deflection, but the only thing that mattered for Arsenal was that it hit the foot of the post and went in. This was only a brief respite for Arsenal as Hadjuk continued to press forward. Zungal beat Jennings, only to see Rice come to the rescue and then Jennings made another marvellous save to deny Djordjevic once again.

But it was Djordjovic who restored the home lead with a shot similar to the one that had done the trick for Brady and Hadjuk led 2—1 at the interval. Arsenal improved in the second half, but still gave their supporters some uneasy moments in defence. Zungul again brought out the best in Jennings when he collected a poor Nelson back pass and Maricic shot over rather than under the bar from only five yards.

Arsenal survived Hadjuk's desperate late efforts and must face the second leg with confidence. However they showed their lack of European experience and Hadjuk will be kicking themselves for not taking greater advantage.

HADJUK SPLIT: Cosic: Primorac, Krsticeaic (sub, Maricic), Jovanic, Peruzovic, Rozic, Zungul, Murinic, Cop (sub, Vujovic), Djordjevic, Surjak.

ARSENAL: P. Jennings; P. Rice, D. O'Leary, W. Young, S. Nelson, D. Price, M. Heeley, L. Brady, J. Kosmina, F. Stapleton, G. Rix.

Referee: E. Dorflinger (Switzerland).

...erton rue ...ment of ...certainty

...German

...2 *Dukla Prague 1*

...uncertain moment har... ...with an unkind rub of ...clouded the bright hopes ...ton at Goodison Park last ...With four minutes left ...ked well set to take a two ...1 to Czechoslovakia in the ...leg of their Uefa Cup ...round tie. Then a half ...clearance by the goal... ...a seemingly fortunate ...off Macela, which bobbed ...e line with a cluster of ...s watching it helplessly, ...rton were left to contem... ...difficult return encounter ...ght hence.

...deserved better. They ...orward smoothly and per... ...though as their more ...attempts failed to produce ...e handsome reward they ...increasingly to using high ...search of the height of ...rd and the other big men ...side, all of them eager to ...into striking positions. ...echoslovaks had too much ...ce at the heart of their ...especially in Samek and ...to fall readily to that

...n had promised so much ...pening half as King pointed ...ward perceptively, Dobson ...well with the front line ...Walsh and Latchford put ...eat deal of effort to put ...nder pressure.

...capable an attacking side ...ally are, Everton have yet ...ver. They produced only ...kling of first half raids ...h Gajdusek managed to get ...uple of useful shots, both ...handled by Wood. There ...him in the briskness of ...rusts at the outset of the ...half that Everton should ...tious about overstretching ...lves but they could hardly ...*e for the blow which befell* ...wards the end.

...despite the Czechoslovak's ...e defensive covering, Ever... ...uld be disappointed that ...d not have a good deal ...to show for their night's ...Walsh missed a chance ...the match but the Mersey... ...en seemed well on course ...Latchford scored after 18 ...s. King put him in his ...and the big striker bundled ...y past two opponents to ...way his shot.

...seemed well, however, as ...n scored a second goal 12 ...*s from the end.* Robinson, ...ad taken over from the in... ...Darracott, worked his way ...right and put the ball into ...middle where Latchford ...d it on and King rounded ...e move skilfully.

...a came that late blow four ...es from the end. Gajdusek ...*a free kick a few yards in* ...the corner flag. Wood only ...succeeded in getting his fist ...and the ball seemed to strike ...a and rebounded over the ...Prague suddenly looked a ...er city for a visit.

...RTON: G. Wood; T. Darracott ...N. Robinson), M. Pollc; M. ...W. Wright, T. Ross; A. King, ...bson, R. Latchford, M. Walsh. ...mas.

...LA PRAGUE: K. Stromsik; J. ...s, L. Macela, V. Samek, J. Fiala; ...ll, S. Pelc (sub J. Bilsky), J. ...F. Stambacher; Z. Nehoda, M. ...ek.

...ree: A. J. Garrido (Portugal).



Hartford puts City on the way to a meritorious victory with a fierce header.

Stunning finale kills off Liège

By Gerald Sinstadt

Manchester C 4 Standard Liège 0

Three goals in the last five minutes left Manchester City in an apparently impregnable position after the first leg of their second round Uefa Cup tie at *Maine Road last night.* After a first half onslaught had yielded only one goal, City seemed destined for a difficult journey to Belgium in two weeks' time.

Then, as Watson rose to meet a Barnes corner, Poel reached out an ill-advised hand. Kidd hammered in the penalty with venom. *Before Liège could recover,* Barnes created two more goals. On the left, he beat three men and centred for Kidd to head home. From the right, Barnes swept a low pass for Palmer to score. It was a stunning finale to a brilliant individual display.

Barnes laid down a hand full of trumps in the opening 20 minutes. Blond hair flopping, heels flicking high behind him, the England winger danced and darted into the Standard defence, first from one side, then from the other. The second foul to stop him earned Garot an official caution before the game was five minutes old.

The supply of passes which kept Barnes on his toes mostly came from Hartford. Palmer made an equally valuable contribution with deft nods and nudges. This young forward has played several impressive games this season and his performance here pointed to *a bright future.*

The only goal of the first half was directly due to Barnes. Given the ball on the right touchline by Palmer, he instantly deposited a cross on the head of Hartford, unmarked beyond the far post. Prend'homme, in the Liège goal, half smothered the ball but could not keep it out.

With only 13 minutes gone, this signalled a spell of sustained attack in which City found plenty of routes towards their destination, but somehow never arrived. Bell flashed a shot narrowly wide. Barnes's drive was well saved. Kidd's curling effort curled just too much.

When Barnes jinked millimetres clear of three tackles, Hartford shot low past the post. Hartford's searching through pass sent Palmer in but the outcome was a corner and a header by Watson. The half-time score was more encouraging to Liège than to City.

After the interval, Standard became more competitive in midfield. Where earlier they had relied on occasional breaks, with defenders Renquin and Garot stealing through, they now began to compose more concerted movements. Sigurvinsson, an Iceland international, and Graf, showed *skill and directness,* Wellens and de Matos pace and resolution.

De Matos was shown the yellow card in somewhat mysterious circumstances but with five minutes remaining there was little else to disturb Standard. A 1—0 deficit from the first leg is no grave disadvantage in this competition. But, then, the dam burst.

MANCHESTER CITY: J. Corrigan; K. Clements, W. Donachie, T. Booth, D. Watson, C. Viljoen (sub, G. Keegan), R. Palmer, C. Bell, B. Kidd, A. Hartford, P. Barnes.

STANDARD LIEGE: M. Prend'homme; E. Gerets, M. Renquin, P. Garot, T. Poel, E. Onal, M. Denier, H. Graf, W. Wellens, A. Sigurvinsson, L. de Matos.

Referee: N. Rainea (Romania).

All clear for Deyna

Manchester City have been granted a work permit, for Poland's World Cup captain, Kazimierz Deyna. City's chairman, Peter Swales, said last night: "We expect Deyna to sign for us in a few weeks time."

Rangers unable to penetrate Dutch defence

Rangers 0 PSV Eindhoven 0

In this first leg, second round European Cup tie at Ibrox, PSV Eindhoven's manager, Cees Rijvers, was able to field a stronger team than he had thought possible several days ago. As for Rangers, they were at full strength, playing the team that ousted Juventus in the previous round.

Rangers, making good use of McLean, playing wide, went close early on when one of his crosses had to be headed fir a cirner by the Eindhoven defence. After 14 *mutes Eindhoven's captain,* van der Kuylen who had been doubtful, was substituted.

Rangers were doing most of the forcing, with Eindhoven relying on the quick break from defence. McDonald, who seemed to be everywhere, gave the Ibrox crowd a lft wth a shot which van Engelen was glad to see go narrowly past. This trend of play continued.

Rangers had a let off when PSV broke from defence, and only a frantic clearance on the goal line by A. Forsyth solved the situation. Jackson, who had been limping for some time, left the field shortly before the interval to be replaced by Miller.

The Dutchmen had a further setback when van der Kerkhof went off and Hoolier came on in his place. With MacLean operating at one time on the right, then switching to the left, Rangers were trying everything, but were getting *nothing* but frustration. Parlane was substituted and Cooper came on. Both Johnston and Russell went close with shots, but such was the speed of the Dutch marking that they were hurried and were not on target.

GLASGOW RANGERS: McCloy; Jardine, A. Forsyth, T. Forsyth, Jackson (sub, Miles), McDonald, McLean, Russell, Parlane (sub, Cooper), Johnstone, Smith.

PSV Eindhoven: Van Englen; Deijkers, Stevens, Brandts, Poortvliet, Luise, Postuma, W Van der Kerkhof (sub, Hoolier), Van Kraaij, Krijgh, Van der Kuylen (sub, Janken).

Referee: M. F. Rion (Belgium).

Chelsea back out of deal to sign Kember

The transfer of the Leicester City midfield player, Steve Kember, to his former club Chelsea, has broken down even though a fee had been agreed. Chelsea backed out of the deal and the Leicester manager, Jock Wallace, said he did not know why.

Wallace had better success dealing with Brentford, of the third division, who had signed Leicester's 22 year-old reserve team striker, Dean Smith, for £25,000. Smith, who joined Leicester from school, had made fewer than 12 first team apearances for them.

Brentford also paid £30,000 for Luton Town's 20-year-old reserve central defender Jim McNichol, a Scottish under-21 international. He came to Luton two years ago on a free transfer, after serving his apprenticeship with Ipswich Town. He had made 13 first team appearacces but was unable to win a place this season.

Both players are expected to he registered in time to make their first appearance in Saturday's home game

An FA Disciplinary Commission is to investigate the crowd riot at Burnley in last month's Anglo-Scottish Cup tie with Celtic.

There was fighting at the match on September 12 and Scottish supporters went on the rampage, using torn-up parts of fencing as weapons.

Although it was widely accepted at the time that it was the Glasgow supporters who caused the trouble, it is the English club who have been charged by the FA. An FA spokesman said yesterday: "The home club is responsible for the behaviour of the crowd, both home and away supporters, and so Burnley have been charged with a breach of the FA rules governing crowd behaviour."

...swich saved by a penalty ...a disappointing night

...was another night of football ...ity throughout Europe last ...*with 11 matches in the Euro-* ...Cup, Cup Winners' Cup and ...Cup being played.

...penalty in the fifty-fourth ...te from the Scottish under-21 ...national, Wark, gave Ipswich ...a victory by 1—0 against SW ...bruck in the Cup Winners' ...second round first leg, match ...Portman Road. But it was a ...pointing night as, despite ...st constant pressure the fran... ...Ipswich side lacked variation ...nst a slick and skilful Austrian ...l.

...e all important goal came ...e Werner Schwarz handled in ...penalty area as Talbot shaped ...hoot after chesting down Mills' ...s. Wark planted the ball ...y past the Australian World ...goalkeeper, Koncilia.

...he Austrian goalkeeper had ...ed Ipswich on several occasions ...ticularly in the first half when ...ing from Whymark and Talbot. ...had a lucky save just before ...end when a 30 yards shot from ...nan hit the post and rebounded ...his arms.

...lthough absorbing pressure ...m Ipswich for much of the ...tch, the impressive Innsbruck ...o had their chances and in the ...h minute when Zanon missed a ...ious chance. *Mariner* of ...swich was booked for a foul in ...first half.

...Bohemians, the Irish champions, ...oduced a remarkable 0—0 draw ...difficult circumstances at Oriel ...rk, Dundalk last night against ...namo Dresden.

...Because of a Uefa ban on their ...me ground, Dalymount Park, ...e Dublin club were forced to ...ay 55 miles away. Dresden were ...obably happy with the outcome ...t they showed a lack of initiative and few scoring ideas in a dull encounter.

Herbert Zimmermann, the Cologne defender, broke the deadlock in Sofia with a second-half goal to give West German champions a 1-6 victory against Lokomotiv, Sofia in the second round of the European Cup last night. Cologe, who play the second leg against the Bulgarians *on* November 1, will be confident of reaching the quarter-finals of Europe's leading cup competition.

The Polish champions, Wisla Krakon, boosted their hopes of reaching the last eight of the European Cup with a fine 2-2 away draw against Brojovka Brnd of Czechoslovakia. No eastern European club have ever won the competition, but Wisla are strongly fancied. The Polish World Cup defender Henryk Maculewicz burst through for Wisla's second goal after Kniecik had given Wisla a 1-0 lead before half time.

Joachim Streich scored the only goal in another all eastern European clash between Magdeburg of East *Germany* and Hungary's Ferencvaros in the second round of the Cup Winners' Cup.

Magdeburg, winners of the competition in 1974, struggled in vain to break down the tight Hungarian defence before the interval. *The 30,000 East German crowd* despaired of a goal until the experienced Streich wriggled through to give Magdeburg a 1—0 victory.

In the second round of the Uefa Cup, Valencia of Spain complete with Argentina World Cup player Mario Kempes and t he West German midfield players Rainer Bonhof, went down 2—1 away to Arges Pitesti of Romania.

But Valencia must be confident of reaching the last 16 after the second leg in two weeks.

Results around Europe and at home

European Cup

Second round, first leg

AEK (0) 1 Nottm F (2) 2
Tassos (pen) McGovern
36,000 Birtles
Bohemians (0) 0 Dinamo (0) 0
Rangers (0) 0 PSV Edhvn (0) 0
44,000

OTHER RESULTS: Dinamo Kiev 0, Malmö 0: Lokomotiv, Sofia 0, FC Cologne 1: Zbrojovka (Czechoslovakia) 2, Wisla Krakow (Poland 2: Austria Wien 4, Lillestrøm SK (Norway) 1.

Cup Winners' Cup

Second round, first leg

Banik (2) 3 Shamrock (0) 0
Knapp 9,000
Radimec
Rygel
Fortuna (0) 3 Aberdeen (0) 0
Guenther (3) 10,500
Zimmerman
Ipswich (0) 1 SW Innsbk (0) 0
Wark (pen) 30,394

OTHER RESULTS: Servette Geneva 2, Nancy (France) 1: Anderlecht 3, Beveren (Belgium) 0: FC Magdeburg Barcelona 0: Rijeka (Yugoslavia) 0. 1, *Ferencvaros 0.*

Uefa Cup

Second round, first leg

Everton (1) 2 Dukla (0) 1
Latchford Vacola
King 32,857
Hajduk (2) 2 Arsenal (1) 1
Cop Brady
Djordjevic 30,000
Man City (1) 4 Standard (0) 0
Hartford Liege
Kidd 2 (1 pen) 37,498
Palmer
Strasbourg (1) 2 Hibernian (0) 0
Gemmrich
Piasecki (pen)

OTHER RESULTS: Arges Pitesti (Romania) 2, Valencia 1: Ajax 1, Lausanne 0: Torpedo, Moscow 2, VFB Stuttgart 1: Sporting Gijon (Spain) 0, Red Star, *Belgrade 1: Carl Zeiss* Jena 0, MSV Duisburg (WG) 0: Kuopion Palloseura (Finland) 0, Esbjerg (Denmark) 2: Honved, Budapest 4, Politechnica Timisoara (Romania) 0: Hertha Berlin 2, Dinamo Tbilisi (USSR) 0.

Third division

Chester (0) 0 Plymouth (0) 0
3,931
Chesterfield (0) 2 Colchester (0) 1
Burton Dyer
Walker 4,394
Exeter (3) 3 Blackpool (0) 0
Kellow 2 3,993
Bowker

Fourth division

Bradford C (0) 2 Port Vale (0) 3
McNiven, Coke. Sutcliffe,
4,156 Wright, Healey
Wigan (1) 1 Halifax (0) 0
Hinnigan 8,216

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Kettering 5, Atherstone 0. First division: South: Dover 4, Andover 2: Gosport 3, Bognor Regis 2.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Boston United 0, Scarborough 0: Frickley 1, Matlock 3: Macclesfield 1, Mossley 1: Workington 0, Southport 2.

FA TROPHY: *First qualifying round replays:* Eastwood 4, Louth United 3: Kings Lynn 3, Clapton 1: Waterlooville 3, Woking 3 (after extra time).

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Carshalton Athletic 2, Staines Town 2: *Oxford City 3, Leatherhead 2.*

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Dorking Town 1, Windsor and Eton 3.

OTHER MATCH: (Martin Peters Testimonial): Norwich City 4, England '66 3.

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Alleyn's, Dulwich 0, Cambridge University Falcons 0: Hampton 3, Herschel HS 0.

Rugby Union

TOUR MATCH: Cambridge University 13, New Zealanders 32.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Berkshire 22, Dorset and Wilts 16: Buckinghamshire 21, Oxfordshire 24: Eastern Counties 6, Middlesex 42: Hampshire 13, Surrey 30: Staffordshire 0, Warwickshire 36: Sussex 28, Hertfordshire 0.

Midlands East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Notts, Lincs *Derby*	1	1	0	0	17	10	2
Leicester	2	1	0	1	24	26	2
East Midlands	1	0	0	0	9	14	0

Midlands West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Warwicks	1	1	0	0	36	0	2
N Midlands	1	1	0	0	11	6	2
Staffs	2	0	0	2	6	47	0

Southern group

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Oxon	2	2	0	0	56	33	4
Berks	2	1	0	1	35	48	2
Bucks	2	1	0	1	33	18	2
Dorset	2	0	0	2	29	45	0

London A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Middx	2	2	0	0	48	9	4
Kent	1	0	0	1	3	6	0
E Counties	1	0	0	1	6	42	0

London B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sussex	2	2	0	0	58	0	4
Surrey	2	2	0	0	52	24	4
Hants	2	0	0	2	13	40	0
Herts	2	0	0	2	11	50	0

CLUB MATCHES: Aberavon 13, Abertillery 7: King's College Hospital 6, Middlesex Hospital 10: Maesteg 40, Captain Crawshay's XV 11: Newport 20, Newbridge 0: Plymouth Albion 25, Exeter University 7: Pontypool 20, Ebbw Vale 6: Pontypridd 25, Glamorgan Wanderers 22: Swansea 19, Penarth 3: Civil Service 36, Insurance Offices 8: United Banks 10, United Hospitals 23: Osterley 20, Miami (US) 4.

SCHOOLS MATCHES: Abingdon 23, Lord Williams's, Thame 6: Ashville 7, St Peter's, York 23: Belmont Abbey 3, Gowerton 19: Bishop Vesey's 3, Wyggeston 16: City Freemen's 3, Worth 17: Douai 15, Magdalen College 3: *Duke of York's* 4, Eltham 20: Emanuel 19, Guildford RGS 9: Hipperholme GS 42, Colne Valley HS 4: Kelly 17, West Buckland 3: KCS, Wimbledon 26, Caterham 4: Langley Park 15, Haberdashers' Aske's, Hatcham 8: Marling 9, Wycliffe 8: Oratory 0, Tiffin 44: Plymouth 70, Truro 9: Queen Elizabeth, Barnet 17, St Dunstan's 6: Ratcliffe 36, Colton 0: St Albans 18, Verulam 9: St Edmund's, Ware 13, Alleyne's, Stevenage 3: Scarborough 3, Hymers 58: Sevenoaks 18, King's, Canterbury 3: Shiplake 9, Sir William Borlase 10: Stonyhurst 12, Lancaster RGS 18: Warwick 11, Bloxham 9: Welbeck 0, Mount St Mary's 18, Wrekin 10, King's, Worcester 0.

HOCKEY: *Representative matches:* Cambridge University 3, Cambridgeshire 3: Norwich Grasshoppers 0, East 0: Essex 5, RAF Strike Command 3.

Now Carrodus may have to enter hospital

Aston Villa, plagued all season by injuries, have suffered another blow. Carrodus their midfield player may need a cartilage operation after being kicked on the knee in the League Cup replay with Crystal *Palace this week.*

He saw a specialist and Ronald Saunders, the manager, said it was "75 per cent likely" that Carrodus would enter hospital next week.

"We will leave the injury for a couple of days and then have another *look at it", Mr Saunders* said. "Just when it appeared our injury problems were looking brighter, this had to happen."

Rugby Union



Altogether on three: the All Blacks take their lead from Bush for the Haka at Cambridge.

Revival by the Light Blues leaves All Blacks pink in the face

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent

Cambridge Univ 12 All Blacks 32

A most mettlesome revival by Cambridge University yesterday afternoon enabled them to win the *second half by 12 to 11, and in* the process to make their celebrated opponents look distinctly ragged. All this was much to the satisfaction of the largest crowd I can remember seeing at Grange Road—or on the rooftops of the adjoining Selwyn College—and it augured well for the Cambridge *prospects this term.*

But it could not undo the damage wreaked by the typically *driving,* overpowering performance of the New Zealanders in the first period when Donaldson streaked in like lightning for a try and Taylor collected another as the result of a disastrous piece of handling in the Cambridge centre. Moreover, McKechnie, the full back, landed five-kicks out of five with his old-fashioned method, as his contribution to the half-time lead of 21—0. The eventual tally was two goals, four penalty goals and two tries for the All Blacks, a goal and two penalties for Cambridge.

For a long time, after the traditional haka, orchestrated by Billy Bush, a Maori, it was one-way traffic save at the lineouts where Butler and Ford, in particular, got a fair return for Cambridge, which they were to improve on later. *Donaldson looked sharp at the* heels of a dominant All Black pack, Bruce, a calm reader of the game outside him, and Taylor, a hard customer in the centre.

There was no lack of commitment by Cambridge; their defence, indeed, being a feature of the game throughout, but early on, Robbie was obliged to do a lot of clever kicking under duress. In the first half their backs needed to make the most of what scraps they got; McKechnie had kicked three penalty goals for ruck offences before after almost 20 minutes, Butler won a lineout at the tail to provide some usable ball; Thornton then gave Fosh a pass on the half volley, and it was knocked on.

Worse was to follow, when some while later the university acquired decent possession for only the second time. On this occasion Fosh, who at this stage was looking rusty for lack of match practice, knocked on a perfectly takeable pass and Taylor, collecting the rebound, burst clean through to the posts for another successful kick by McKechnie.

By then, Bruce had dummied across his inside centre to work a scissors with Robertson and from the maul Donaldson reached the line at the corner with a tremendous leap through Frackleton's tackle. By the interval, Taylor in a tank-like burst all but scored on the other flank.

No doubt Cambridge Jeremiahs in the crowd were fearing a cricket score.

Taylor, with a knee injury, had been replaced in the visiting backline by Wilson when a little dart by Thornton and a chip through by Robbie led to a two-man line*out. Butler palmed back.* Cambridge moved it left, and Metcalfe gave Tyler, a dashing, fair-haired wing, his chance to reach the line. He took it admirably. Robbie, down the gentle breeze, thumped over a kick that satisfied both touch judges if not, one suspects, all of the New Zealanders.

There was no evidence of a Cambridge *inferiority* complex now and Robbie banged home two more penalty goals from a long way out. In between these scores, however, McKechnie had landed his fourth penalty and the All Blacks riposted in the final quarter with two more tries. A fine catch by Fleming, a lock, directly from a restart led to the penultimate one, Cambridge failing to fall or to hack the ball into touch when Donaldson dribbled up the short side, kicked on himself and won the touchdown.

Frackleton, a brave defender on the Cambridge right wing, had been limping all second half, but he was not to go off until after the last All Black score on that same side. A reverse pass by Donaldson and a deft, angled chip by Bruce behind a scrummage gave *Ford his opportunity to boot* ahead and Mourie won a desperate chase deep in the in-goal area.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: I. Metcalfe (King Edward's, Birmingham and St Catharine's); P. Frackleton (Royal School, Dungannon, and Pembroke), (sub, M. F. Parr, St Joseph's Blackpool and Trinity Hall), *M. K. Fosh (Harrow and Magdalene), A. Laycock (St Michael's Leeds and Emmanuel), R. Tyler (Cheltenham GS and Fitzwilliam); *J. Thornton (Dulwich and Magdalene), *J. G. Robbie (The High School, Dublin, and Christ's, capt); *R. J. Brouman (Merchant Taylors' and Trinity), J. Grant (Haileybury and St Catharine's), S. Killick (Dulwich and Queens'), *N. N. Heath (Solihull and Downing), *J. N. Ford (Millfield and Emmanuel), C. O'Callaghan (St Joseph's, Port Talbot, and St John's), *E. T. Butler (Monmouth and Fitzwilliam), *S. J. Glanvill (Exeter and Pembroke).

ALL BLACKS: B. J. McKechnie, R. R. Kururangi, N. M. Taylor (sub B. S. Wilson), B. J. Robertson, B. R. Ford; D. D. Bruce, M. W. Donaldson; J. C. Ashworth, J. E. Black, W. K. Bush, J. K. Loveday, J. K. Fleming, B. G. Ashworth, A. A. McGregor, G. N. K. Mourie (captain).

Referee: K. Rowlands (Wales).

*A Blue.

Sussex are now only obstacle to Surrey

Hampshire 13 Surrey 30

Surrey made almost certain of wining group B of the London *division of the county championship* by beating Hampshire by two goals, three penalties and three tries to two penalty goals, a dropped goal and a try. It was *their 14th successive victory over* Hampshire. Their only obstacle is Sussex, whom they meet on *November 1.*

Bucks 21 Oxfordshire 24

Oxfordshire took another step towards regaining th southern group title whe nthey beat Buckinghamshire by three goals and two penalty goals to a goal and five penalty goals at Bletchley. *They need only to draw their last* match against Dorset and Wilts to qualify for a place in the quarter-final round for the third consecutive year.

Middlesex look capable of going further

By Gordon Allan

Eastern Counties 6 Middlesex 42

Middlesex qualified for the London divisional play-off in the county rugby championship when they beat Eastern Counties at Southend yesterday by five goals and three tries to a goal. Counties' other match, against Kent at Blackheath on November 1, is of no importance now, because Middlesex had already beaten Kent. The play-off is on November 8.

Counties were seriously in the game for the first quarter only, when they confined Middlesex to their own 22 and scored first. But after that, as their handling *mistakes* proliferated and their *tackling declined, there was no* doubt about who would win. Middlesex were stronger and more experienced in every way, and on this evidence, qualified though it must be, they could go far in the championship.

Wyatt scored a try for Counties, which Woodward converted, with *10 minutes gone. A Middlesex for*ward drive faltered on their own 22, the ball ran loose, and Wyatt hacked through to the posts. Before half time, however, Middlesex had scored three tries. McGregor got the first when Ripley came away from a set scrummage on the Counties 22. Then, *after* a lineout, Ripley himself went over, taking an inside pass from Morrison, who made the break. Christopher Ralston scored the third from broken play. Charles Ralston kicked one conversion.

Counties created a number of chances at the start of the second *half, but something invariably* went wrong and they became a little disconsolate. Middlesex were soon back in business and Alexander got their fourth try when Christopher Ralston won a lineout from a Counties throw and Bryan broke through. Bryan, who combined well with the veteran scrum half, *Momgomery, con*verted.

The remaining tries were scored by Claxton, Alexander, Montgomery and Morrison. Bryan kicked three more conversions.

As the end aproached, Counties tackling almost ceased to exist and a touch of knockabout crept into the *proceedings. Hollins, the* Counties No 8, had to go off with a rib injury, which led to the appearance of Brennan.

EASTERN COUNTIES: A. Jorden (Bedford, captain); J. Pitts (Blackheath), C. Woodward (Loughborough Students), S. Jackson (Blackheath), D. Wyatt (Bath); M. Marmion (London Irish), M. Conner (Wasps); J. Stokoe (Blackheath), P. Keith-Roach (Rosslyn Park), K. Cairns (Bedford), B. Carter (Wasps), G. Bell (Blackheath), W. Jones (London Irish), A. Hollins (Bedford), (sub, P. Brennan (Southend), A. Keay (Bedford).

MIDDLESEX: C. S. Ralston (Rosslyn Park); H. Glean (Richmond), N. French (Wasps), R. Gordon (London Scottish), D. Morrison (London New Zealand), T. Bryan (Northampton), J. Montgomery (Metropolitan Police); T. Claxton (Harlequins), I. Thomas (London Welsh), C. McGregor (Saracens), M. Slayter (Richmond), C. W. Ralston (Richmond, captain), A. Alexander (Harlequins), A. Ripley (Rosslyn Park), R. Mordell (Rosslyn Park).

Referee: P. Hughes (Manchester).

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Cricket



Gavaskar : lost patience after frustrating Pakistan.

Pakistan find few chinks in India's defences

Faisalabad, Pakistan, Oct 18.—The first Test between India and Pakistan for 17 years looks almost certain to end in a draw. At the close of the third day's play India were 291 for three in reply to Pakistan's first innings score of 503 for eight declared and now need only 12 runs to avoid the indignity of being asked to follow on.

The pitch is still playing perfectly and India must have hopes of reaching Pakistan's formidable total. Sunil Gavaskar again played a significant role in India's fightback today. When they resumed at 64 for no wicket he was unbeaten on 23 and he carried his score to 89 in five and three-quarter hours before a rush of blood cost him his wicket.

Viswanath, another of India's experienced Test campaigners, kept Gavaskar company as Pakistan toiled to make a breakthrough. At the close he was 77 not out.

Gavaskar and Chauhan took first wicket stand to 97 this morning before Chauhan skied a catch to the wicketkeeper, Wasim Bari, off Sarfraz Nawaz. He scored 46.

Surinder Amarnath, who joined Gavaskar, should have been out when he had scored 10. He was dropped at short leg by Sadiq Mohammad off Sikandar Bakht, and he stayed until the last over before lunch, when he again pushed a catch to short leg and this time Javed Miandad made no mistake.

Gavaskar and Viswanath put on 87 between lunch and tea without being troubled by the bowlers and it came as a surprise when Gavaskar was out in the first over after tea. Quite out of character he danced down the wicket to Iqbal Qasim and was bowled. His innings of 89 included nine fours.

Viswanath and Vengsarkar played out the remainder of the day and when play resumes on Friday India should have little difficulty in saving the match.

The Pakistan team manager, Shafiq Mahmood, today denied reports that Sarfraz had been taken off for bowling bouncers yesterday. India's captain, Bishen Bedi, went on to the pitch a few minutes before the close and spoke to the umpires. Mushtaq then took his leading pace bowler off and went on himself.

Bedi explained today that he had spoken to the umpires about an apparent discrepancy in their watches. Mushtaq said there had been no dissatisfaction with Sarfraz's bowling. He took him off so that he could get in an extra over before the close.

PAKISTAN 503 for 8 dec (Zaheer Abbas 176, Javed Miandad 154 not out; Chandrasekhar 4-129).

INDIA: First Innings

S. Gavaskar b Iqbal Qasim	89
C. Chauhan, c Wasim Bari, b Sarfraz	46
S. Amarnath, c Miandad, b Mushtaq	35
Viswanath, not out	77
D. Vengsarkar, not out	18
Extras (n-b 23, b 1, l-b 2)	26
Total (3 wkts)	291

M. Amarnath, S. Kirmani, K. Dev, E. A. S. Prasanna, B. Bedi, B. S. Chandrasekhar to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—97, 2—147, 3—[illegible].

BOWLING (to date): Imran Khan, 23—6—82—0; Sarfraz Nawaz, 24—1—65—1; Sikandar Bakht, 17—1—60—0; Mushtaq Mohammad, 13—1—41—1; Iqbal Qasim, 9—1—17—1.

Thomson admits he was financially irresponsible

Sydney, Oct 18.—Jeff Thomson, one of Australia's fast bowlers, told the Equity Court in Sydney today that he spent more than a third of his salary hiring a Ferrari Dino sports car. Thomson, who agreed he was sometimes irresponsible with money, said the Ferrari cost him A$660 (£387) a month to hire while he was under contract to the Brisbane Radio Station, 41P.

Thomson was giving evidence during the hearing of an action brought by the Australian Cricket Board against him seeking an order declaring that contracts signed with the ACB by him in November, 1977, and February, 1978, are valid. It also seeks an order prohibiting World Series Cricket from inducing Thomson to breach his contracts with the Board

Thomson told the court that 41P had offered him A$40,000 (£23,474) a season to play for Australia and Queensland, while he was negotiating with WSC earlier this year. He said he had rejected the offer because he did not want to play for Australia.

Thomson maintained that his present financial predicament had not been caused by the failure of his sports store business. He said he had gone into the business "for something to fall back on". When he had been injured during the 1976-77 season, doctors had told him at the time that he would never play again.—Reuter.

Bloodstock sales

Boutin pays 74,000 gns for colt by Nonoalco

The morning session on the second day of the Newmarket Houghton Sales saw a son of the 1974 2,000 Guineas winner, Nonoalco, make 74,000 guineas to the bid of that sire's trainer, Francois Boutin. The Frenchman bought the handsome half-brother to Cavo Doro and Helmsdale on behalf of an undisclosed, established patron.

After entering the bidding at 20,000 guineas Boutin had a sustained tussle with Ray Barnes, an agent, before emerging triumphant. Nonoalco's first crop has been racing this year and the colt's purchase price was probably influenced by the victory of Nonoalco in the group three Prix des Reservoirs at Longchamp on Tuesday. He is the eighth foal of Limuru, who won four races and is a half-sister to the top-class miler, Saintly Song.

Paddy Burns, an Irish breeder, enjoyed a highly successful sale when receiving 123,000 guineas for the four yearlings. Top of the batch was an extremely attractive Mansingh colt closely related to this season's leading sprinter, Solinus. The colt fetched 56,000 guineas to the bid of Peter Calver, an agent, on behalf of a Persian businessman, Mohammadi Soudavar.

The colt goes into training with Denys Smith at Bishop Auckland. His dam, Cawston Tower, has already produced one top class sprinter in the flying filly, Cawston's Pride, who won the Queen Mary, Cornwallis, Molecombe and Lowther Stakes. She is also the dam of Solinus and Cawston's Clown.

A half-brother to this year's Queen Mary Stakes winner, Greenland Park, also from the same draft, went to Mick O'Toole for 27,000 guineas. The son of Deep Diver is the third foal of Centre Piece.

Trophy extended

The Tomatin Trophy series, the important offshore event in the Clyde Week yachting is to be extended to include a quarter-ton championship next season. The series, which last year had a record 104 entries, will be held from May 24 to 29.

Watering at Ascot

Captain Nicholas Beaumont, the clerk of the course at Ascot, said yesterday that watering of the steeplechase and hurdle courses will start today in preparation for the National Hunt meeting there on November 1.

Flyweight title defence

Milan, Oct 18.—The European flyweight boxing champion, Franco Udella of Italy, defends his title against a Spanish challenger, Pedro Carrasco, at the Sports Palace here on November 10, organizers announced today.—AP.

Ice hockey

NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Islanders 3, Montreal Canadians 1; Atlanta Flames 3, Colorado Rockies 2; St Louis Blues 8, Vancouver Canucks 6. WORLD ASSOCIATION: Cincinnati Stingers 5, Quebec Nordiques 5; New England Whalers 2, Edmonton Oilers 1.

Fulham seek FIFA help on Best talks

Fulham are to ask FIFA to set up an inquiry into their dispute with the American club, Fort Lauderdale, about George Best. The decision to ask FIFA to "settle the affair for once and for all" was made when talks between the two clubs at Craven Cottage yesterday broke down after only an hour.

The Fulham secretary, George Noyce, said: "The talks broke down because of the inability of the Americans to accept that Best is a Fulham player and that we should have a fee for him." Mr Noyce added: "The position is quite clear, and we have the backing of FIFA. Best is a Fulham player and if anyone wants to play him they must pay us a fee."

When the row was first taken to FIFA, they ruled that he could play in the United States, but that if he played in Europe it could only be with Fulham's consent. In the summer, however, Best played in Austria as a guest for Detroit Express without the London club's permission. Fulham complained to FIFA, who responded by slapping a world-wide ban on Best.

Important battle is won by Boycott

By Richard Streeton

Yorkshire have acceded to Geoffrey Boycott's request to meet their full general committee, rather than the cricket subcommittee, and the meeting will take place next Monday. Joe Lister, the county club's secretary, confirmed yesterday that a statement would be issued immediately afterwards.

Boycott leaves for Australia with the England team on Tuesday evening. He will now have to miss the team's assembly and official farewell dinner in London on Monday evening. In the circumstances the authorities at Lord's are not expected to make any objection. It is in the interests of everyone involved, not least those of the touring side, that Boycott's future in English cricket is clarified.

Ideally Boycott's battle with the 32-strong Yorkshire committee should take place sooner but it was impossible to agree a mutually convenient time before Monday. Boycott, understandably, has numerous last-minute commitments before leaving England for four months. He could have managed Saturday but this was not feasible for several committee members. A Sunday meeting, I gather, was not considered.

Yorkshire's motive in agreeing to their deposed captain putting his case to the jury of his choice can be interpreted as both conciliatory and realistic. It represents a compromise that would never have been contemplated during the disputes of bygone years.

On the other hand it has also removed threatened deadlock from the situation. Boycott, I understand, was adamant he would not discuss his position with the people who dismissed him from the captaincy. A general committee meeting would have had to follow any cricket subcommittee meeting to discuss the latter's recommendation so the final decision in the matter will now be expedited.

Boycott seems certain to attend the meeting with his solicitor. The cricket subcommittee were primarily concerned with the disciplinary aspects of Boycott's criticism of them in a television interview. These will still form an integral part of next Monday's meeting. In addition, though, Boycott will now be able presumably to state his complaints in full, stretching back over the years, to the body that has the final say. According to the Yorkshire handbook, the club's general committee comprises the president, chairman and treasurer, six elected members and 23 representatives from 17 districts.

Whatever the outcome next Monday, the Yorkshire members' Reform Group intend to allow their demand for a special meeting to stand. They cannot visualize that the chance for the ordinary membership to speak on the controversy will be conceded. Initial estimates that the special meeting could cost Yorkshire £3,000 to £4,000 plus may be wrong as the notices calling the meeting are expected to be included with routine club correspondence due to be sent out shortly. A tentative date for the special meeting is understood to be November 18.

Knott back with Kent in 1979

Alan Knott, the former England wicketkeeper, is returning to first-class cricket with Kent next summer. A statement yesterday said that Kent and Knott had agreed terms for next season with Knott being available for all matches until early July when Paul Downton would be returning from his law studies at university.

"I am pleased that I shall be playing again for Kent for the first part of next season", Knott said. Knott, who leaves later this week to play World Series cricket for Kerry Packer in Australia, played no first-class cricket in this country last season.

Rugby League

Gerard gets his chance for Australia

Geoffrey Gerard, who has yet to play representative football, makes his first international Rugby League appearance for Australia against Great Britain in the first international at Wigan on Saturday. Gerard, a 22-year-old journalist, was chosen for the Australian team this morning and will play in the second row.

Two other players, Thompson and Kneen, have been selected to make their first appearance as substitutes.

TEAM: Eadie; Bousted, Cronin, Rogers, Anderson; Fulton, Raudonikis. Young, Krilich, Olling, Gerard, Reddy, Price. Substitutes: Thompson, Kneen.

Cricket dinner

Sydney, Oct 18.—Three former English Test cricketers—Alec Bedser, Norman Yardley and Denis Compton—have been invited to Australia for a charity dinner

Second acceptors

VERNONS SPRINT CUP: Over six furlongs, at Haydock Park, on Saturday, November 4: Absalom, Bo'dboy, Cedar Grange, Double Form, Frimley Park, Future Forest, Galaxy Gemini, General Order, Glenturret, Gypsy Dancer, Hadon, Hillandale, Hughes Next, John de Coombe, Jon George, King of Macedon, Lomond Shoe, Loving Jim, Manor Farm Boy, Mofida, Petard, Polynonder, Private Line, Ravorhack, Roman Scribe, Sanedtki, Skyliner, Swinging Sam, Thatching, The Razor, Tinoriamet, Tribal Jester, Uberlizzy, Vaigly Great, Vilgora, Weth Nana, Winter Wind.

WILLIAM HILL NOVEMBER HANDICAP (1½m, Saturday, Nov 11): Sea Pigeon 9yrs 10st 4lb, Move Off 5-9-8, Decent Fellow 5-9-7, Lucent 4-9-7, Swell Follow 7-9-6, Romezzo 4-9-3, Celtic Pleasure 4-9-0, Revlow 4-8-13, Grand Nlece 4-8-12, Hatched 3-8-11, Amber Valley 5-8-10, Nicholas Bill 3-8-8, Limone 4-8-7, Claudio Nicolai 3-8-6, Privy Consort 4-8-6, Crested Grebe 3-8-4, Cunard 3-8-4, Totowah 4-8-3, Lorelnne 4-8-3, Greenjacket 4-8-3, Major Thompson 4-8-2, King of Darby 3-8-1, Majestic Maharaj 3-8-1, Chokwarn 3-7-13, Deep River 6-7-13, St Briavels 4-7-12, Falls of Lora 3-7-12, Coal Dust 3-7-11, Charlotte's Choice 4-7-11, Probable 3-7-10, Hills Treble 3-7-9, Le Sniell 4-7-8, Royal Coachman 4-7-8, Hang-on Elvis 3-7-8, Marakas 4-7-8, Nenarree 3-7-8, Mr Fordette 6-7-7, Salutiferous 3-7-7, Martial Game 3-7-7, Royal Legend 4-7-6, Pinero 4-7-4, Eastern Spring 4-7-4, Peerless Prince 4-7-3, Il Padrone 5-7-3, Cooling 3-7-3, Tony 6-7-1, Old Bill 3-7-1, Mallard Song 4-7-1, Battlement 5-7-0, Voucher Book 3-7-0, Swoop Up 3-7-0, Elldiana 3-7-0, Senator Sam 5-6-13, Replour 4-6-13, Question Mark 3-6-13, James Hunt 3-6-13, Mixed Melody 4-6-13, The Hertford 7-6-11, Bravo 3-6-9, Georgian Girl 4-6-8, Jimmy Hill 3-6-8, River Jordan 3-5-10.

Racing

Camden Town to ease Walwyn's worries

By Michael Phillips

Racing Correspondent

Surely no one would begrudge Peter Walwyn the pleasure of winning the group three Challenge Stakes with Camden Town at Newmarket this afternoon on this the first day of the three-day Houghton meeting. The last 10 weeks have been a particularly torrid time as far as Walwyn and his staff at Seven Barrows have been concerned while they have watched most of the horses there laid low with a virus.

And as if that were not enough to try even a man with the patience of Job, Walwyn discovered only recently that the tests that his own vet had been taking were proving negative in their local laboratory when all along they may well have been positive. It was only when the same samples were sent further afield to be analyzed at Newmarket that the virus was picked up and identified.

So for the past two weeks Walwyn has had to go through the laborious business of having his horses blood tested in Newmarket, which is a three-hour drive from his home, before he has left convinced that he could work them let alone run them.

It will come as no comfort to those who backed Rhineland down to favouritism for the Cambridgeshire just under a fortnight ago to know that he was all wrong when he returned home, yet he appeared to be perfectly all right beforehand. So any horse that Walwyn runs from now on has first had his or her blood checked by David Powell in Newmarket as a safeguard.

To fancy Camden Town this afternoon it is necessary to ignore his last race at Ascot where he got no sort of run and cast one's mind back to the Royal meeting instead when he won the Jersey Stakes so impressively. This I am prepared to do especially as he will be ridden by Patrick Eddery once again.

There is an abundance of evidence to support the contention that Camden Town goes far better for Eddery than for anyone else. The only times that he has won this season were when he had the champion jockey aboard and the only occasions that he has been beaten have been when he has been ridden by someone else. Eddery's riding of Camden Town in the Jersey Stakes bore all the hall marks of pure class and on that form he has the beating of Spence Bay, who ran so well against Solinus in Ireland last month having beaten Smackover so easily in his previous race at York in August.

With Persian Bold in the field of 12 Eddery ought to get the sort of lead that he is hoping for this afternoon—a lead right into the last furlong so that he can keep Camden Town covered up and delay his challenge as long as possible, just as he did with such skill at Royal Ascot. Ridden that way Camden Town should give his backers a good run for their money. And he is my selection.

Persian Bold has not raced since July when he ran rather disappointingly in the July Cup. But he worked well enough on the racecourse at Ascot on Saturday after racing had finished to suggest that he will run well this afternoon and at his best he will be a tough nut to crack. He was an impressive winner over today's distance at Kempton Park and Haydock Park in June before he ran so well against Jaazeiro in the St James's Palace Stakes.

Vincent O'Brien would not have sent Jaazeiro's stable companion, Stradavinsky, over from Ireland just for the benefit of his health.

Unyielding to give way to Fraternity at Haydock

By Michael Seely

Nick Vigors can strike a blow for Lambourn at Haydock Park this afternoon by winning the Whitebeam Maiden Stakes with Fraternity. Vigors started the season with a spate of winners, but in common with many other trainers his string has suffered from the virus.

A half-brother to St Michael's Mount who created something of a surprise when scoring at 33-1 for Vigors at the Epsom Derby meeting, Fraternity shaped like a certain future winner when failing narrowly to catch Still Hope at Nottingham. This form is standing up well. Still Hope has since finished runner up to that prolific winner, Bucco Bay at Brighton. And the third horse at Nottingham, Can We Go, was successful at Warwick on Tuesday.

Unyielding will probably represent the chief threat. Jeremy Tree's stable is in fine form at present and the Beckhampton trainer appears to have a promising crop of two-year-olds. Jock Whitney's filly has yet to see a racecourse, but judged on her breeding could be anything as she is by Mill Reef's sire, Never Bend, out of Lacquer, who captured the Cambridgeshire and 1,000 Guineas for Harry Wragg. However, Fraternity's experience should gain the day.

The £2,500 Silber Birch Stakes may fall to Charlie Williams's Regalus, who won his fourth race off the reel when accounting for Dom Perignon at Edinburgh. King of Darby may have the better credentials judged on Ian Balding's three-year-old's earlier victories

Breasley back among English winners

A familiar name reappeared in the list of winning trainers after almost three years when Scobie Breasley won the Ashford Maiden Fillies Stakes at Folkestone yesterday with Mandilinee, a 16 to 1 chance.

Breasley left Britain at the end of 1975 and went to train in France before moving on to the United States, where he had been based for nearly two years until his return this summer. Mandilinee was his ninth runner since his comeback, but he missed the filly's victory as he was attending the Newmarket Yearling Sales.

Mandilinee, who carried the well-known lemon-and-blue silks of Ravi Tikkoo, an oil tanker magnate, foiled a gamble on Proud Performance (6 to 1 to 11 to 4) with a well-timed late challenge in the hands of Ramshaw.

Oisin and Greville Starkey had a sparkling victory in the Robertsbridge Handicap. The combination's two-length verdict over Athenia Princess will delay Guy Harwood's next visit to his local off-licence. For in defying 10st to beat three rivals, Oisin clinched a case of champagne, which was presented to the season's leading trainer at the Kent course for the second year running. It was Harwood's sixth Folkestone success of 1978 (and 53rd in his best season), but he, too, was attending the Newmarket sales.

Oisin's victory was the gelding's sixth from his last nine starts and fourteenth in all. The win left Starkey four short of his first century.

Edderly, resigned to losing his title to Carson, pushed home Man on the Run and Crest of Gold, for Eddery, resigned to losing his total to 138. Man on the Run, who belongs to Michael Channon, the Manchester City and England player, made every yard, running in the Hurst Green Maiden Stakes.

The gelding is a son of Cathy Jane, who carried Channon's colours to victory in the Brown Jack Stakes.

Ritaliz, bought out of the Newcastle selling race in for 1,000 guineas by Bjorkman, a Swedish, made her first appearance for new connexions a winning one in the Sedlescombe Stakes. But it cost them guineas to retain the filly at auction.

William Carson yesterday celebrated a personal best of 165 winners in a season with champagne, but with a dousing from a hosepipe, poked through the window of the jockeys' room after his victory on Amaranda in the Walnut Stakes, at Haydock Park.

Amaranda, off the course for 20 weeks during the summer with a persistent high temperature, tiring slightly in the last furlong, but she still had five lengths to spare over Latest Model, in threequarters of a length ahead of Lady Constance.

Amaranda, trained by Harry Wragg for the brothers Eric and Budgie Moller, was runner-up in the Nell Gwynn Stakes in the spring, but was a sick filly when she ran down the field in the Palace House Stakes on her last outing at Newmarket.

Carson dismounted from the filly and was chatting to Wragg's son, Geoffrey, when he got a dousing. A hosepipe suddenly came out of the jockeys' room window to spray the pair

STATE OF GOING (official): Newmarket: Good. Haydock Park: Good. Taunton: Firm. Tomorrow: Lingfield Park: Firm. Catterick Bridge: Market Rasen: Good.

Newmarket programme

1.30 CHESTERTON STAKES (Div I : 2-y-o maidens : £2,659 : 1m)

1 0 Abnormous (L. Freedman), G. Balding, 9-0 .... R. Weaver 17
2 3 Aatabo (Lady Beaverbrook), M. Jarvis, 9-0 .. B. Raymond 25
3 Bell Hop (Miss P. Major), R. Houghton, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 19
8 0 Brighton Marina (Margaret Lady Aberdeen), J. Dunlop, 9-0 F. Morby 21
10 Buttress (The Queen), W. Hern, 9-0 .... W. Carson 2
16 00 Golden Cape (Capt M. Lemos), C. Britain, 9-0 P. Bradwell 5
20 0 Halyudh (R. Tikkoo), A. Breasley, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 22
21 High Wycombe (W. Norton), B. Swift, 9-0 .... T. Cain 10
22 04 Ivatan (Mrs P. McDonnell), R. Houghton, 9-0 .... J. Reid 13
25 0 Merryvyn (U. Wijewardane), R. Armstrong, 9-0 M. L. Thomas 15
31 000300 Prince Helen (B) (S. Agodino), A. Goodwill, 9-0 P. Gunn 5 14
33 0 Red Hare (M. Yong), P. Haslam, 9-0 .... B. Jago 12
35 400 Royal Rex (J. Bigg), R. Hollinshead, 9-0 .... M. Wigham 16
37 0 Senator Murphy (J. Fisher), W. Holden, 9-0 .... F. Durr 5
41 The Solent (H. J. Joel), H. Cecil, 9-0 .... J. Mercer 11
45 0 Wesley (Miss J. Taberner), J. W. Watts, 9-0 .... J. Lowe 18
48 0 Bustily (R. Heathcote), G. P.-Gordon, 8-11 .. G. Duffield 23
49 Casaretta (Lord Clinton), J. Hindley, 8-11 .. A. Kimberley 8
50 Danilova (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 8-11 .... E. Johnson 26
51 00 Draw Swords (Lord Porchester), W. H.-Bass, 8-11 .. A. Bond 24
53 Fernella (Lord Fairhaven), R. Hobbs, 8-11 .... J. Lynch 3
54 000000 Jary's Princess (Mrs R. Nelson), W. Marshall, 8-11 R. Marshall 20
56 0 Love Bond (Mrs R. Evans), H. Collingridge, 8-11 G. Sexton 9
58 Moon Lover (C. Bothway), S. Hanbury, 8-11 .... T. Rogers 6
60 Opinion (Mrs M. Wyatt), H. Candy, 8-11 .... P. Waldron 7
64 0 Riboule (Mrs C. Seymour-Newton), B. Hobbs, 8-11 G. Baxter 1

4-1 Buttress, 9-2 Aatabo, 5-1 The Solent, 6-1 Wesley, 8-1 Danilova, 10-1 Fernella, 12-1 Ivatan, 14-1 Casarette, Opinion, 16-1 others.

2.0 FORDHAM HANDICAP (£3,428 : 7f)

201 411002 Gypsy Dancer (D) (S. Niarchos), P. Walwyn, 5-10-0 P. Eddery 10
202 401403 Fighting Lady (CD) (D. O'Dell), G. Harwood, 5-9-6 L. Piggott 14
205 140124 Greenhill God (CD) (Sir C. Clore), M. Stoute, 3-9-5 J. Rowe 5 6
206 140030 Shuffling (CD) (T. Corby), W. H.-Bass, 7-9-3 .. J. Mercer 3
207 123021 Red Johnnie (CD) (R. Khan), C. Brittain, 4-9-2 W. Carson 12
209 0-03210 Cacique (D) (Lt-Col R. Taylor), Denys Smith, 4-9-1 P. Cook 11
210 113210 Banco (D) (C. Lord), R. Houghton, 5-8-11 .... J. Reid 7
211 21400 Steel Flight (D) (Mrs B. Wallin), B. Olssen, 3-8-11 R. Street 2
213 003124 Peranka (C. Allen), W. Marshall, 6-8-9 .... R. Marshall 9
214 210102 Burma Pink (B.D) (M. Peraticos), G. Harwood, 5-8-7 G. Starkey 13
215 000000 Dust-Up (D) (J. Bigg), R. Hollinshead, 4-8-7 M. Wigham 5
217 410000 Casino Royale (CD) (J. Pearce), Doug Smith, 3-8-5 J. Lowe 15
219 004111 Korovine (D) (S. Saud), R. Boss, 3-8-4 .... B. Raymond 1
221 0-02000 Loh (D) (Mrs D. Goldstein), R. Hannon, 5-8-3 .. F. Durr 8
222 222012 Can Run (D) (J. Rose), D. Gandolfo, 5-7-11 M. L. Thomas 4

7-2 Red Johnnie, 9-2 Greenhill God, 6-1 Burma Pink, 13-2 Korovine, 8-1 Fighting Lady, 10-1 Banco, 12-1 Can Run, 14-1 Gypsy Dancer, Casino Royale, 16-1 others.

2.30 SOMERVILLE TATTERSALL STAKES (2-y-o : £6,092 : 7f)

301 01 Birwood Lad (D) (F. Zimmern), G. Balding, 9-4 R. Weaver 11
303 011110 King of Spain (J. Hobhouse), P. Cundell, 9-4 .... P. Cook 7
305 4102 Funky Angel (S. Label), N. Adam, 9-1 .... J. Mercer 1
306 0313 Herr Capitan (Capt M. Lemos), C. Brittain, 9-1 W. Carson 3
307 01 Kalazero (D) (D. Prenn), J. Winter, 8-12 .... B. Taylor 12
309 001 Indian Pool (Mrs M. O'Toole), M. O'Toole, 8-11 L. Piggott 2
310 00220 Acapulco Gold (Miss J. Realff), M. Francis, 8-6 .. J. Reid 4
311 2 Ballacorey (J. Harrison), B. Hills, 8-6 .... E. Johnson 13
312 Borderline (Mrs J. McDougald), I. Balding, 8-6 P. Eddery 9
315 00230 Donegal Prince (J. McGonagle), P. Kelleway, 8-6 G. Starkey 8
318 0 Heron Bent (Col R. Hutchinson), W. H.-Bass, 8-5 A. Bond 6
319 3 Reprocolor (R. Springfield Ltd), M. Stoute, 8-5 .. F. Durr 5
320 00 Royal Resident (B. Haggas), J. Hindley, 8-3 .. A. Kimberley 10

11-10 King Of Spain, 11-2 Ballacorey, 7-1 Indian Pool, 8-1 Reprocolor, 10-1 Birwood Lad, 12-1 Herr Capitan, 14-1 Kalazero, Donegal Prince, 16-1 others.

3.0 CHALLENGE STAKES (Group III : £11,064 : 7f)

401 203011 Creetown (D) (R. Galpin), R. Sheather, 6-9-6 .. R. Street 5
402 003430 Mofida (B) (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 4-9-3 .... W. Carson
403 313410 Sweet Mint (D) (Mrs W. Haefner), N. Meade, 4-9-3 .... — 6
404 1-00104 Absalom (C) (Mrs C. Allington), R. Jarvis, 3-9-2 M. L. Thomas 3
405 3-10210 Camden Town (D) (Sir J. Thorn), P. Walwyn, 3-9-2 P. Eddery 9
407 03-2130 Columbanus (D) (T. McCormack), J. Bolger, 3-9-2 D. Gillespie 8
408 1-11040 Derrylin (CD) (Lady Sefton), Doug Smith, 3-9-2 G. Starkey 12
409 0-01000 John de Coombe (B,D) (A. Warren), P. Cole, 3-9-2 G. Baxter 2
410 311000 Middleton Sam (B) (J. Norman), R. Hannon, 3-9-2 B. Rouse 1
411 001124 Persian Bold (D) (R. Vahabzadeh), A. Ingham, 3-9-2 J. Lynch 7
412 311412 Spence Bay (D) (Mrs R. McGrath), S. McGrath, 3-9-2 J. Mercer 10
413 02412 Stradavinsky (B) (R. Sangster), M. V. O'Brien, 3-9-2 L. Piggott 11

11-4 Stradavinsky, 7-2 Camden Town, 5-1 Creetown, 6-1 Persian Bold, 8-1 Spence Bay, 10-1 Sweet Mint, Absalom, 12-1 John de Coombe, 14-1 others.

3.30 BIRDCAGE HANDICAP (2-y-o : £2,838 : 6f)

501 3100 Jeroboam (D) (J. Lilley), H. Wragg, 9-7 .... L. Piggott 11
503 432330 Galaxy Capricorn (Major J. Rubin), R. Hannon, 9-5
504 002141 Steel Trade (D) (W. Arnold), P. Cole, 9-3 .. S. Eccles 5 5
505 034 Red Anchor (Miss M. Morrison), J. Tree, 8-12 .... — 6
508 0103 Persian Sapphire (D) (R. Vahabzadeh), A. Ingham, 8-7 J. Lynch 9
509 040010 Three Shoes (D) (R. Thanisch), W. Marshall, 8-6 R. Marshall 4
510 0332 Standaan (A. Richards), C. Brittain, 8-5 .... P. Cook 3
511 0012 Kims Habit (D) (J. Palmer), G. P.-Gordon, 8-5 G. Duffield 8
512 021 Caraquet (D) (D. Whimot), G. Balding, 8-2 .... W. Carson 7
514 020330 Mansion Marauder (Lt-Col G. Sherwell), R. Hannon, 7-9 M. L. Thomas 10
513 200000 Haverhill Lad (B) (Mrs B. Tanner), A. Goodwill, 7-7 C. Rodrigues 5 3

9-4 Jeroboam, 4-1 Steel Trade, 11-2 Persian Sapphire, 7-1 Standaan, 8-1 Caraquet, 10-1 Galaxy Capricorn, 13-1 Kims Habit, 14-1 Red Anchor, 16-1 others.

4.5 PARK PADDOCKS HANDICAP (3-y-o : £3,080 : 1½m)

603 0-11100 Probable (CD) (Exors of the late Lady Rotherwick), B. Hobbs, 9-5 .... J. Lynch 4
605 000111 Southern Seas (D) (D. Wildenstein), H. Cecil, 8-9 J. Mercer 5
606 211401 Hikari (Mrs E. Jacobs), B. Hills, 8-8 .... E. Johnson 2
608 314222 Bravo (R. Moller), H. Wragg, 8-4 .... P. Eddery 7
609 014341 Sofronoff (D) (J. Barber), J. Dunlop, 8-5 .... W. Carson 3
611 322312 Miss Mirage (I. Thoday), R. Armstrong, 7-8 M. L. Thomas 8
613 202140 Great Monza (A. Chin Chong), A. Hide, 7-8 R. J. Ferguson 1
615 201042 Surprising Prince (J. Haverhals), B. Hanbury, 7-7 J. Lowe 6

5-2 Southern Seas, 100-30 Sofronoff, 9-2 Hikari, 6-1 Bravo, 7-1 Miss Mirage, 8-1 Probable, 10-1 others.

4.20 NEWMARKET CHALLENGE CUP (£150 : 2m)

1 021104 Palm Island (J. Phillips), M. Stoute, 3-8-3 .... M. Giles [Walks over]

4.35 CHESTERTON STAKES (Div II : 2-y-o maidens : £2,645 : 1m)

3 0 Athford (W. Barnett), H. Candy, 9-0 .... P. Waldron 16
5 4 Billbroker (Sir R. Jessel), G. P.-Gordon, 9-0 M. L. Thomas 3
6 0 Bold Selection (R. Clifford-Turner), M. Stoute, 9-0 G. Starkey 21
7 0340 Boys Division (Lord Leverhulme), R. Houghton, 9-0 J. Reid 1
9 Bumper (T. C. Racing), B. Swift, 9-0 .... G. Ramshaw 16
12 04 Dronacharya (R. Tikkoo), A. Breasley, 9-0 .... B. Rouse 26
14 00 Frankian Jon (I. Paice), P. Haslam, 9-0 .... B. Jago 2
15 00 General Supreme (G. Smyth), J. Powney, 9-0 .... F. Durr 20
18 Greats (Mrs J. de Rothschild), B. Hobbs, 9-0 .. J. Lynch 7
19 Grecian Sovereign (W. Bates), A. Hide, 9-0 .. G. Sexton 15
23 24 Le Champ Talot (Mrs S. Enfield), B. Hills, 9-0 E. Johnson 18
25 0 Malicious Red (Heanor Plant Cont Ltd), G. Balding, 9-0 R. Weaver 11
28 00 My Birthday (Y. Tanimoto), P. Metcalfe, 9-0 .. L. Piggott 6
32 02 Redenham (J. Hambro), Doug Smith, 9-0 .. B. Raymond 24
31 0 Rosenbloom (C. St George), H. Cecil, 9-0 .... J. Mercer 36
36 Sassenach (R. Hibbert), P. Walwyn, 9-0 .... P. Eddery 12
40 03 Spring With Pride (G. Guetta), L. Cumani, 9-0 .... P. Cook 10
46 Windward Isle (B. Firestone), I. Balding, 9-0 .... — 22
52 Expansive (The Queen), W. Hern, 8-11 .... W. Carson 8
55 400 Lady Moorgate (Moorgate Services), R. Boss, 8-11 .. — 9
57 0 Meroketse (Mrs R. Owen-George), N. Vigors, 8-11 G. Baxter 17
58 Military Onestep (R. Sangster), J. Hindley, 8-11 A. Kimberley 4
63 Riana (Lord Harrington), J. Hindley, 8-11 .. G. Duffield 23
65 Ricci Gal (B) (R. Simpson), Simpson, 8-11 .. D. Atkinson 8
66 Sometime Lucky (H. Springfield Ltd), W. H.-Bass, 8-11 A. Bond 14
68 0 Time For Smiles (E. Atkinson), P. Haslam, 8-11 C. Leonard 19

4-1 Expansive, 6-1 Le Champ Talot, 13-3 Redenham, 7-1 Military Onestep, Rosenbloom, 8-1 Sassenach, 10-1 Dronacharya, Spring With Pride, 12-1 Athford, Greats, 14-1 others.

Taunton NH

2.15 THURSDAY CHASE (Novices : £872 : 3m 1f)

04-1 National Express, 6-11-9 S. May
b0-1 Romany Car, 9-11-9 H. J. Evans
p-4f Holly Hill, 10-11-4 Mrs P. Palmer
110 Roiyat, 12-11-4 .... R. Linley
Ticabena 7-11-4 .... R. Hoare 4

11-8 National Express, 2-1 Romany Car, 7-2 Roiyat, 12-1 Holly Hill, 16-1 Ticabena.

2.45 TAUNTON CASTLE HURDLE (£385 : 2m 3f)

3-20 Appin, 7-11-5 .... T. Wall 7
00-r Charliestratford, 10-11-5 S. May
uf-p Hemon, 11-11-5 .... T. Hallett
230 Marcia's Mark, 13-11-5 C. Coray
f0-0 Penhill Cottage, 6-11-5 M. Barrett 7
u00- Skippin, 14-11-3 .... M. Reaves
324 Westgate Falcon, 7-10-12 Mr J. Darlington 7
0-0f Ryan's Prophet, 4-10-7 C. Watkins
000- Tamsin, 4-10-7 Mr K. Johnson

9-4 Marcia's Mark, 3-1 Penhill Cottage, 4-1 Appin, 11-2 Westgate Falcon, 8-1 Charliestratford, 12-1 Hemon, 20-1 others.

3.15 CANNON ASSURANCE HURDLE (Handicap : £1,102 : 2m 3f)

f01 Croome, 8-12-7 .... M. Floyd
110 Charlton Fox, 4-11-9 J. Butchard 4
220 Green-Fingered, 4-11-6 R. R. Evans
432 Psalm, 9-10-4 .... —
331 King's Hazard, 6-10-0 P. Leach
313 Shoot The Lights, 7-10-0 Mrs R. Vickery

2-1 Croome, 5-2 Charlton Fox, 9-2 Psalm, 6-1 Green-Fingered, Shoot the Lights, 14-1 King's Hazard.

3.45 AMATEUR RIDERS' CHASE (Handicap : £977 : 2m 3f)

13-u My Babby, 8-10-13 Mr J. Darlington 7
112 Toussaint, 6-10-10 Mr J. Weston
0-p2 Hill Fly, 6-10-0 .. Mr G. Sloan
Hadleigh Mill, 9-10-0 Mr S. French
122 Kiminvie, 9-10-0 .... —
000 Detling, 12-10-0 Mrs P. Palmer

4-5 Toussaint, 7-2 Hill Fly, 4-1 My Babby, 8-1 Hadleigh Mill, 20-1 Detling.

4.15 WIVELISCOMBE HURDLE (Div I : novices : £494 : 2m 3f)

203 Beeno, 6-11-1 .. G. Buckley
020- Bridge Ash, 6-11-1 Mr K. Johnson
00- Colonel Squire, 6-11-1 J. Francome
00-3 Compatable, 6-11-1 .. S. May
00-0 Darling Rose, 5-11-1 G. Jones
Eagle's Crag, 7-11-2 D. Cartwright
0 Great Expectations, 9-11-1 B. R. Davies
132 Nordani, 7-11-1 Mr B. Stevens
0u- Sangara, 5-11-1 .... —
Stalbridge Belle, 5-11-1 R. Hoare 4
3 Desert Sands, 4-10-10 M. Barrett 7
40-3 Haybale, 4-10-10 .... C. Jones

9-4 Beeno, 11-4 Compatable, 9-2 Desert Sands, 8-1 Haybale, 8-1 Great Expectations, 10-1 Nordani, 20-1 others.

4.45 WIVELISCOMBE HURDLE (Div II : novices : £480 : 2m 3f)

pf Arctic Flyer, 5-11-1 M. Brisbourne 4
Autumn Cloud, 8-11-1 Mark Williams
0 Candezade 6-11-1 Mr B. Stevens
00 Cregg, 5-11-1 Mr G. Edwards
f30- Harlequin, 5-11-1 .. R. Hoare 4
04 Queen of the Bees, 5-11-1 J. Butchard 4

10-11 Queen of the Bees, 2-1 Harlequin, 6-1 Autumn Cloud, 10-1 Arctic Flyer, 16-1 others.

* Doubtful runner

SELECTIONS: 2.15 National Express, 2.45 Penhill Cottage, 3.15 Croome, 3.45 Toussaint, 4.15 Nordani, 4.45 Queen of the Bees.

Wetherby NH

2.15: 1, Barton Cross (33-1); 2, Raise You (2-1 fav); 3, General Patterns (8-1), 11 ran.

2.45: 1, Night Nurse (9-4); 2, I'm A Driver (5-2); 3, Roadhead (7-4 fav), 7 ran.

3.15: 1, Four Pals (25-1); 2, Kaiso Chant (8-1); 3, Paper Rich (7-2), 8 ran. Court Circus did not run.

3.45: 1, Oskard (6-4 fav); 2, Cumbria (11-4); 3, Tomatin (2-1), 4 ran.

4.15: 1, King Weasel (2-3 fav); 2, Lord Greystoke (9-4); 3, Never There (10-1), 5 ran.

4.45: 1, Meer Close (20-1); 2, Royal Bishop (15-2); 3, Direct Line (5-1), 17 ran.

Worcester NH

2.0: 1, Safe 'n' Sound (8-1); 2, Appolio Kit (33-1); 3, Harann (13-1), Hi-Quay, 6-4 fav, 17 ran. Acle did not run.

2.30: 1, Party Line (11-10 fav); 2, Tingle Creek (5-2); 3, Malford Grove (20-1), 6 ran.

3.00: 1, Golden Whin (4-1); 2, Hard Outlook (5-4 fav); 3, Free Motion (11-2), 4 ran.

3.30: 1, Dowdall (6-4 fav); 2, Charta Pearl (5-2); 3, Caper's Lad (7-1), 11 ran. Squire's Heir did not run.

4.0: 1, Ernest (3-1 jt fav); 2, Cradenly (12-1); 3, Choral Prince (2-1 jt fav), 11 ran.

4.30: 1, Duneeds Daughter (7-2); 2, Sean (1-2 fav); 3, Cantila (6-1), 9 ran.

Haydock Park programme

2.0 WHITEBEAM STAKES (2-y-o maidens : £1,222 : 5f)

1 000 Alensingh, R. Hollinshead, 9-0 .... T. Ives
4 2 Fraternity, N. Vigors, 9-0 .... L. Marshall
5 00 Geary's for Sing, M. Tate, 9-0 .... P. O'Leary
9 Paddys Profile, G. Toft, 9-0 .... E. Apter
10 0 Page Ride, C. Austin, 9-0 .... R. —
11 4 Regal Raja, G. Hunter, 9-0 .... R. Muddle
12 0 Rowarth, R. Hollinshead, 9-0 .... K. Darley
15 003344 Sovereign Seeker, Doug Smith, 9-0 .... I. Birch
18 0 Loopyluga, C. Thornton, 8-11 .... J. Bleasdale
20 New Tempo, W. Elsey, 8-11 .... W. Wharton
21 Unyielding, J. Tree, 8-11 .... S. Raymont
22 00 X-Data, B. Lunness, 8-11 .... C. Moss

2-1 Fraternity, 11-4 Regal Raja, 9-2 Unyielding, 6-1 Sovereign Seeker, Loopyluga, 12-1 New Tempo, 16-1 others.

2.30 SPRUCE HANDICAP (£1,199 : 1¼m 131yd)

4 000300 Matnat Saba, D. Weeden, 4-9-8 .... P. Young 5
5 422010 Royal Cobbler, E. Carter, 3-9-3 ....
6 033000 Mortar (B), C. Crossley, 4-9-3 .... M. Banner 7
7 000000 Tabernacle, K. Bridgwater, 5-9-5 .... R. Fox
8 000300 Take Aim (B), J. Watts, 5-9-3 .... J. Swales 7
9 102002 Streets Ahead, R. Hollinshead, 3-9-1 .... T. Ives
10 030000 Liquidation, D. Gandolfo, 4-9-0 .... P. Winter 7
13 40010-0 Hallah, D. H. Jones, 5-8-13 .... C. Moss
15 0 Tudor Maestro, M. Delahooke, 6-8-11 .... J. Bleasdale
16 000-00 Comedy Blue, H. Fleming, 3-8-11 .... E. Apter
17 303020 Four Johns, W. Williams, 4-8-10 .... S. Perks
18 001000 Rose Bridges, J. Watts, 3-8-8 .... A. Mercer 5
19 310331 Bushbranch, G. Balding, 4-8-8 .... J. Matthias
20 0-00 Major Kim, P. Plant, 3-8-7 .... C. Dwyer
21 0-00321 Brewmaster, J. Mulhall, 5-8-7 .... D. Nicholls 5
22 002001 Barleycroft Star (B), D. Yeoman, 6-8-6
23 000000 Just Tempest, L. Docker, 5-8-1 .... A. Cousins
25 000020 Rose Petite, J. Mulhall, 6-8-0 .... N. Howe 5
26 000000 Mrs Dumbfounded, R. Hollinshead, 3-8-0 .... K. Darley 5
27 0-0 Gaelic Beau, J. Cousins, 7-7-13 .... A. Nesbitt 7

3-1 Streets Ahead, 9-2 Barleycroft Star, 5-1 Bushbranch, 6-1 Brewmaster, Matnat Saba, 10-1 Royal Cobbler, Take Aim, 12-1 Four Johns, Hallah, 16-1 others.

3.0 SILVER BIRCH STAKES (£2,246 : 1¼m 131yd)

1 300200 Wickwell, A. Jones, 5-10-0 .... C. Moss
2 021111 Regalus, C. Williams, 3-9-7 .... M. Birch
3 121100 King of Darby, I. Balding, 3-9-0 .... J. Matthias
6 000000 Seafields, K. Mitchard, 3-9-0 .... O. Gray
8 043004 Bold Gerard, D. Gandolfo, 5-8-7 .... W. Wharton 5
9 New Angle, D. Gandolfo, 4-8-7 .... P. Winter 7
10 030-10 Relevance (B), J. Nelson, 3-8-7 .... J. Bleasdale
12 202321 Calf of Man, B. Hills, 3-8-4 .... P. D'Arcy 7
13 00-0000 Pearl Noir, J. Mulhall, 4-8-4 .... C. Dwyer
14 00 Mesh Merchant, D. Plant, 3-8-0 .... E. Apter

5-4 King of Darby, 2-1 Regalus, 6-1 Calf of Man, 8-1 Relevance, 14-1 Wickwell, 20-1 others.

3.30 HAWTHORNE HANDICAP (£1,906 : 6f)

3 012001 Swakara (C-D), R. Hollinshead, 5-9-11 .... T. Ives
4 000010 Luke Splendid (D), J. Etherington, 4-9-6 .... D. Nicholls 5
6 00-0000 Quick Retort (D), W. Wightman, 4-9-1 .... J. Bleasdale
7 200000 Unella (D), W. O'Gorman, 4-9-0 .... M. Birch
10 00-0000 Clear Melody (B,D), S. Nesbitt, 7-8-9 .... A. Nesbitt 7
11 230342 Sweet Zest (B,D), J. Watts, 5-8-6 .... A. Mercer 5
12 311010 Cumnock Scouse (D), G. Richards, 5-8-4 .... R. Muddle 5
13 002320 Pauillac (D), P. Cole, 5-8-4 .... E. Apter
14 000110 Friendly Fun, N. Crump, 5-8-2 .... K. Darley 5
15 000130 Fancy That (D), M. Camacho, 5-8-2
16 201033 Heavenly Choir (D), D. Weeden, 3-8-1 .... W. Wharton 5
20 000000 Ladies Man, W. Guest, 5-7-9 .... N. Howe 5

7-2 Sweet Zest, 4-1 Swakara, 5-1 Pauillac, 6-1 Cumnock Scouse, 8-1 Luke Splendid, 10-1 Fancy That, 12-1 Friendly Fun, 14-1 Heavenly Choir, Unella, 20-1 others.

4.0 POPLAR STAKES (Div I : 3-y-o maidens : £1,303 : 2m 28yd)

1 0 Athens Star, J. Bradley, 9-0
5 424334 Camon, W. Elsey, 9-0 .... B. Hedley
6 000004 Crowned Jewel (B), B. Lunness, 9-0 .... C. Eccleston
8 Dragoon Major, F. Rimell, 9-0 .... T. Ives
10 000000 Grafty Green, D. Dale, 9-0 .... M. Miller 5
13 00 Jaime Porter, J. Berry, 9-0 .... D. Burns
17 402300 Mon's Beau, E. Beeson, 9-0 .... S. Salmon
19 443000 Moron, H. Collingridge, 9-0
21 0 Rigoletto (B), C. Brittain, 9-0
26 00-4004 Conation, G. Balding, 8-11 .... J. Matthias
27 0000 Crowned Princess, R. Boss, 8-11 .... S. Raymont 5
30 0 Hallowkiln, J. Dunlop, 8-11 .... R. Muddle 5
33 00 Lorien Wood, R. Murphy, 8-11 .... C. Moss
35 00 My Name, J. Mulhall, 8-11 .... D. Nicholls 5
38 083420 Trojan's Centenary, W. Wightman, 8-11 .... J. Bleasdale

9-4 Camon, 3-1 Hallowkiln, 9-2 Mon's Beau, 5-1 Trojan's Centenary, Moron, 12-1 Rigoletto, 20-1 others.

4.30 ROWAN HANDICAP (2-y-o : £1,333 : 5f)

3 400001 St Clare Tourier (D), W. Wharton, 8-12 .... W. Wharton 5
4 0010 Calamorca (D), G. Toft, 8-10 .... S. Lawes 7
5 202010 Disco Volante (D), C. Brittain, 8-8 .... J. Bleasdale
8 301421 Thorganby Victory (B.D), R. Hobson, 8-6 .... P. Kelleher
11 1 Knavesmire (B), Denys Smith, 8-1 .... L. Charnock
12 010032 Regal Mate (B), W. O'Gorman, 8-1 .... T. Ives
13 201300 Filterdale (D), M. W. Easterby, 7-13 .... —
14 224033 Elmanoak, R. Hollinshead, 7-12 .... K. Darley 5
15 440010 Solidor (B.D), S. Nesbitt, 7-9 .... A. Nesbitt 7
16 4402 Leader of the Pack, J. Hindley, 7-9 .... A. Mercer 5
18 001101 Tantra (D), C. Nelson, 7-7 .... R. Fox
19 031840 Private Love (B.D), T. Fairhurst, 7-7 .... M. Meith 7

3-1 St Clare Tourier, 4-1 Regal Mate, 5-1 Tantra, 6-1 Thorganby Victory, Leader of the Pack, 10-1 Solidor, 12-1 Filterdale, Knavesmire, 16-1 others.

5.0 POPLAR STAKES (Div II : 3-y-o maidens : £1,364 : 2m 28yd)

6 00000-0 Caomend, J. Haine, 9-0
9 000030 Flairs Boy, S. Holland, 9-0 .... C. Moss
11 243224 Hand Over Fist (B), S. Nesbitt, 9-0
13 330303 Kingsfold Lad, C. Benstead, 9-0 .... W. Wharton 5
15 0000- Lutomer Traminer, F. Rimell, 9-0 .... J. Greensmith 7
18 004 Monsoon, G. Hunter, 9-0 .... J. Bleasdale
20 000203 Norton Cavalier, M. H. Easterby, 9-0 .... M. Birch
22 0-00000 Sing Man, G. Toft, 9-0 .... E. Apter
24 Another Salvo, J. Bradley, 8-11
28 002003 Fairy Castle, I. Balding, 8-11 .... J. Matthias
29 0-00030 Girls Galore, J. Skilling, 8-11 .... C. Moss
31 000000 Laurestine, L. Docker, 8-11 .... A. Cousins
36 0-00004 Summergold (B), M. Camacho, 8-11 .... K. Darley 5
39 600000 Well Connected, R. Murphy, 8-11

5-2 Norton Cavalier, 3-1 Hand Over Fist, 4-1 Monsoon, 5-1 Kingsfold Lad, 8-1 Fairy Castle, 12-1 Summergold, 20-1 others.

Haydock Park selections

By Our Racing Staff

2.0 FRATERNITY is specially recommended. 2.30 Brushbranch. 3.0 Regalus. 3.30 Swakara. 4.0 Trojan's Centenary. 4.30 Leader of the Pack. 5.0 Norton Cavalier.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.0 Sovereign Seeker. 2.30 Matnat Saba. 3.30 Unella. 4.0 Crowned Jewel. 4.30 Disco Volante.

Newmarket selections

By Our Racing Correspondent

1.30 Fernella. 2.0 Greenhill God. 2.30 KING OF SPAIN is specially recommended. 3.0 Camden Town. 3.30 Jeroboam. 4.5 Bravo. 4.35 Champ Talot.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 The Solent. 2.0 Red Johnnie. 2.30 Kalazero. 3.0 Creetown. 3.30 Jeroboam. 4.5 Southern Seas. 4.35 Redenham.

Folkestone results

1.45 (1.47) SEDLESCOMBE STAKES (£320: 6f)

Ritaliz, ch f, by Le Johnstan—Rosamadda (E. Bjorkman), 3-8-8 B. Jago (11-4 fav) 1
Compound .... R. Curant (9-2) 2
The Hit Man .... R. Fox (5-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 4-1 Royal Friend, 7-1 Marcoing (4th), 8-1 Lady Wyddial, 10-1 Wallfraq, 25-1 Derken, 33-1 Where's Henry, Will Hard. 10 ran.

TOTE: Win, 32p; places, 17p, 20p, 20p; dual forecast, 55p. P. Haslam, at Newmarket. 1l, ¾l. The winner was bought for 3,100 gns.

2.15 (2.16) HURST GREEN STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £764: 1m 7f 100yd)

Man On The Run, b c, by Mandamus — Cathy Jane (M. Channon), 9-0 P. Eddery (11-8 fav) 1
Headwind .... P. Colquhoun (8-1) 2
Revelan .... B. Rouse (5-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 10-1 Camcete (4th). 4 ran.

TOTE: Win, 16p; dual forecast, 23p. W. Wightman, at Upham. 6l, 12l.

3.45 (2.46) ROBERTSBRIDGE HANDICAP (£3,131: 1½m)

Oisin, b g, by Bold Lad—Mudela (J. Levy), 5-10-0 G. Starkey (13-8) 1
Athenia Princess .. A. Bond (7-2) 2
Gold Claim .. R. Curant (20-1) 3

ALSO RAN. 11-10 fav Kemon (4th). 4 ran.

TOTE: Win, 21p; dual forecast, 28p. G. Harwood, at Pulborough. 2l, 10l.

3.15 (3.16) NORTHIAM HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,358: 5f)

Crest of Gold, b f, by Pitskelly—Santa Isabella (Tio Tek Tan), 9-7 .... P. Eddery (6-5 fav) 1
Santaclaire .... G. Sexton (7-1) 2
Singing Clever G. Baxter (13-8) 3

ALSO RAN: 10-1 Bentinck Hotel (4th), 12-1 Just Splendid. 5 ran.

TOTE: Win, 17p; dual forecast, 44p. W. O'Gorman, at Newmarket. 1l, ¾l.

3.45 (3.48) BREDE HANDICAP (Apprentices: £988: 1½m)

Chorus Line, b c, by Mountreak—Damgol (D. Elliot), 3-7-7 W. R. Swinburn (4-1) 1
First Break .. A. Jones (100-30) 2
Calathea K. Pinnington (6-4 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 11-2 Antique Seeker (4th), 20-1 Miss Informer, 25-1 Coaldust, 50-1 Service Charge. 7 ran.

TOTE: Win, 82p; places, 28p, 32p; dual forecast, 55p. M. Haynes, at Epsom. ¾l, 2l.

4.15 (4.17) ASHFORD STAKES (3-y-o maiden fillies: £685: 5f)

Mandilinee, b or br f, by Star Envoy—New Art (R. Tikkoo), 8-11 G. Ramshaw (16-1) 1
Proud Performance G. Starkey (11-4) 2
Crimson Way .. G. Baxter (13-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Blessy, 100-30 Amber Shine (4th), 25-1 What a Treasure. 6 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.03; places, 28p, 11p; dual forecast, £1.87. A. Breasley, at Tadworth. 1l, 4l.

TOTE DOUBLE: Oisin, Chorus Line, £12.50. TREBLE: Man On The Run, Crest of Gold, Mandilinee, £36.00. Jackpot, Not won. Placepot, Win dividend, £42.95; pool: £307.00.

Haydock Park

2.0 (2.1) SYCAMORE STAKES (2-y-o: £2,103: 6f)

Oysion Estates, gr c, by Gold Hill—Port Relic (Oysion Estate Agency), 8-11 . D. Burns (10-1) 1
Miss Sparks .. P. Cook (16-1) 2
Pietry in Motion, J. Lynch (15-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-2 fav Prince of Arabia, 7-1 Gormflath, 8-1 Newfarm Boy (4th), 9-1 Mmitamus, 10-1 Markina, 12-1 Long Meadow, Miss Inglewood, 14-1 Homing Bird, 16-1 Lilac Star, 33-1 Fort Lonesome, London's Pride, Rose of Lorraine, Staphouette. 16 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.07; places, 37p, 33p, 18p; dual forecast, £15.40. J. Berry, at Cockerham. 2½l, 2½l. 1min 21.12sec.

2.30 (2.33) MAPLE HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,349: 7f 40yds)

The Levite, gr g, by Supreme Sovereign—La Levandoll (M. Kingsley), 7-5 .. K. Darley (10-1) 1
Arms King .. G. Duffield (9-1) 2
Park Covert .... J. Lowe (13-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 100-30 fav Etoile des Indes, 9-2 Classic Athena, 7-1 Pitrock,
9-1 Computercall, 10-1 The Barochetto, Una Yappa, Honiara (4th), 25-1 Ibn Sari. 11 ran.

TOTE: Win, £1.51; places, 24p, 38p, 24p; dual forecast, £22.79. D. Hanley, at Lambourn. 1l, ½l. 1min 33.69sec.

3.0 (3.1) WALNUT STAKES (£1,749: 5f)

Amaranda, b f, by Bold Lad—Powdietta (R. Moller), 3-8-0 W. Carson (13-8) 1
Latest Model .. E. Johnson (10-1) 2
Lady Constance A. Cousins (20-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Future Forest, 11-1 Jimmy the Singer, 16-1 Nice Value (4th), 50-1 Form Sett. 7 ran.

TOTE: Win, 21p; places, 18p, 20p; dual forecast, 68p. H. Wragg, at Newmarket. 5l, ¾l. 1min 00.66sec.

3.30 (3.31) BEECH HANDICAP (£2,323: 1m 40yd).

Priestcroft Boy, b g, by Chabo Lad—Alfreda (C. Norman), 5-7-13 M. Birch (6-1) 1
Bairanald .... R. Street (16-1) 2
Mahar, ... A. Mercer (9-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 4-1 jt fv Referendum, Hazy Weather, 9-1 Haddfan, 10-1 Eastern Palace, 12-1 Temple Wood, Underfell, 14-1 Disc Jockey (4th), Staffordshire Knot, 16-1 Destiny Girl, 33-1 Ladies Man. 15 ran.

TOTE: Win, 45p; places, 16p, 63p, 22p; dual forecast, £14.54. M. H. Easterby, at Malton. Nk, 5l. 1min 50.70sec.

4.0 (4.4) CHESTNUT STAKES (3-y-o maiden fillies: £1,243: 1m 40yd)

Sister Connie, b f, by St Paddy—Naiguika (H. Joel) 8-11 J. Mercer (9-2)
To Glory .... G. Duffield (20-1)
Little Loch Broom, J. Reid (13-1)

ALSO RAN: 11-8 fav Gilt, Eight Carat, 13-1 Canyon Ride, 9 mis, 14-1 Unexpected (4th), Ishatchew, 20-1 Lampion, Spark 33-1 Amanco, Birchini, Blue Co Darafield, Fiddlers Gold, Heevi Laird, Track Sovereign, White Ho Lady. 19 ran.

TOTE: Win, 51p; places, 14p, 22p; dual forecast, £6.85. H. Cecil, at Newmarket. 1½l, 1l. 1min 52.40s

4.30 (4.31) HORNBEAM HANDICAP (£1,350: 1½m)

Bridestones, b f, by Jan Ekels—Lucky Stream (A. Gibson) 5-9-3 A. Kimberley (9-2 fav)
Country Fair, .. M. Wigham (9-1)
Mr Fordette, ... J. Mercer (9-1)

ALSO RAN: 15-2 Battlement, Voucher Book, 8-1 Question Mark, English Export, Iver, 13-1 Sockburn (4th), 14-1 Fraash, 18-1 Pleasure, 30-1 Dan Flynn, Silver Shadown, 33-1 Supreme Vista, Miss Pa 15 ran.

TOTE: Win, 64p; places, 24p, 94p; dual forecast, £1.22. J. Hindley, at Newmarket. Bridestones won by lengths from Fraash with Country Fair 2½ lengths away third. After an objection by the third, Fraash was disqualified. Country Fair made second and Mr Fordette third. 2min 33.98sec. Hauser did not run

TOTE DOUBLE: Amaranda, Sister Connie: £10.20. TREBLE: The Levite, Priestcroft Boy. (Paid first three legs) £86.95.

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Fashion

by

Prudence Glynn





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What Ginger and Pickles never knew

It may seem a contradiction (but then life is full of them and fun they frequently are) *that someone who writes a consumer column should dislike shopping.* No, dislike is too weak a word. I hate it. It is a fact that when kind well-wishers assure me that they are off to snap up my latest suggestion with pleasure and delight, a wintery glaze can be seen to ice the features of your fashion editor, because I cannot but be aware of the frightful time they are in for. Unschooled assistants, communal changing rooms, hideous costs, volatile deliveries, fraying seams, the unacceptable face of alterations.

The best story I have ever *heard about this concerns a* famous Bond Street shop. Confronted with a rich customer of ample proportions who could in no way be squashed into the "only" model, they rang her back to say that they had found another similar and had cannibalized the two into one.

Mind you, this quite sympathetic glaze is very different from the one which meets the jolly remark, "Of course you *get everything free.*"

I have yet to work out whether my mood springs from inherent meanness, shortage of time or inclination, or preoccupation with the higher design—or more practical business aspects—of the industry I report.

Reading Fine Silks and Oaken Counters by Maurice Corina (Hutchinson Benham, £4.95) I ask myself if it might have been different in a different age. Had I not been free to run myself ragged as a journalist while being at the same time a wife and mother, *had my public duties been confined* to a few bowls of soup for the deserving poor, had, in short, my days been too long, my staff efficient and the position of my husband something to be reflected in my style of entertaining and above all in my dress, might I have enjoyed *shopping.*

The shops would certainly have tried to persuade me. Elegantly dressed, properly indentured staff in a hierarchy as rigid as the Services would have waited on me; laces, silks, Axminsters, sofas would have been at my beck and approval. I should most likely have spared not a thought for the gruesome hours and rotten pay of those serving me—a legacy of a bad career which is with us even now.

Goods from Debenhams—about which group Mr Corina is writing—would in palmier days have been delivered by ox cart, a charming thought, and possibly no less punctual than today's internal combustion engine. I see them moo-ing gently along Oxford Street, a snatch of hay here and there, possibly a passing carrot, and debouching my goods at my door. As it is, when Heals appeared in long white aprons on the appointed day at the appointed hour and said: "Where would you like these *placed madam?*" *instead* of leaving everything on the floor and blaming me for being out, I pratically burst into tears of gratitude.

Coming on to the consumer present, anyone who cares about the actualities of British fashion must thank the Debenham Group for Harvey Nichols in Knightsbridge, almost the only department store in the country specializing in clothes to which one can direct buyers in search of the *British talent* I am always assuring them that we possess. Harvey Nichols does house and support the newest and the best in design talent, and is more like a New York store than an English one in its strong personal identity.

Other areas of the group are harder to appreciate. Why call everything Debenhams except the great white flagship of the group, Debenham and Freebody in Wigmore Street, which is now called Sport and Leisure? Though if you shop, as I do, in the excellent food store attached to it (which was Harvey Nichols, confusing everybody because Harvey Nichols is in Knightsbridge, *of course*) you will notice that it is now a Caters, part of the group. But one makes out one's cheque to Hamleys, which is equally of course in Regent Street; but no, there is a corner of it in Debenham and Freebody . . . and why demolish years of loyalty to Marshall and Snelgrove; and, above all, why rip out those gorgeous mahogany loos in Oxford Street.

Maurice Corina makes the needs plain, even if the traumaric effect on the established *customers is less documented.* As a financial writer he is naturally more interested in the details of the struggle to fight off the takeover by United Drapery Stores in 1972, and his somewhat less than contemplative prose style sweeps the reader through all sorts of facts and figures which might normally be baffling or boring. Maurice should have been one of our war correspondents.

But then, had I been in retailing, I should have undoubtedly ended up like Ginger and Pickles, forced by incompetence and the granting of *credit to feckless payers to eat* my own stock. Or, like Sally Henny Penny, rather flustered when trying to count out change. Or most probably, like old Mr Dormouse who, when the candles which have behaved oddly in warm weather were returned with complaints, stayed in bed and said "very snug, very snug". *That is* indeed not the way to carry on a retail business.

Beatrix Potter was writing about a typical village store 50 years ago and there has been much correspondence recently about the decline in rural life and the extent to which this is due to the closure of local schools and shops. It is an old complaint of suppliers that the grand houses preferred to have their comestibles and their *clothes shipped down from* London or the nearest city. What has changed is that the more modest households now also head for the neon-lit glamour of the nearest Tesco. Retailing seems to be suspended between the sort of organization outlined so faithfully by Maurice Corina, with its central buying facilities (which make pricing more competitive) and its inevitable lack of personality, and the Potter world where you can still, in *one small cramped space, buy* a slice of ham and a pair of galoshes.

There is, of course, a place for both, and it may console readers who mourn the closure of the latter type of enterprise that for all the gadarene rush towards Woolworths there is a steady, trend-setting flight in the opposite direction, back towards small shops with personal service, with, if you like, Pickles making a low bow and writing it all down in his book. Value can be sought at the hands of the big enterprises, but service will be harder to marry to price. Ironically, *service and value were the* foundation of the empire constructed by Debenham, and so ably proceeding now—though I doubt the present board would approve of Samuel Whiskers sampling the cream crackers.

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Of practicals and pretties

Anti-shoppers have the alternative of abstinence—which might please your bank manager but is not totally practicable unless you live in a very grand castle or in a hippie community in Wales. So I suggest a compromise. Something bought, something made, with the something made not so *dauntingly big as to never get finished. Since knitwear re*mains as fashionable and as popular as ever, today we offer two exclusive ideas to get your needles out for.

One is what I, in my well-informed way, promptly deemed a Bridge jacket, one of those things one's mother wore to fend off the draughts in prewar country houses, though I do rather think they had short sleeves. However, this appellation caused younger persons in the office to fall about with laughter and hint that a wheelchair might be an appropriate form of transport, so I shall revert stuffily to "Box jacket". Eminently practical, this short, sleeveless shape can suggest the wider shoulder line which is very much in vogue, show off a neat waistline if you have one (or carry the eye down if you do not) and produce the fashionable hour-glass effect on figures which mostly slip into the pear-shaped category.

My other pattern will have a shorter high fashion existence but is equally practical in that when the waistcoat rage palls you can hand it on to one of the smaller men in your life. He will be delighted with the warmth/nostalgia/colouring/snob appeal of the garment, whichever happens to be uppermost in the style cycle at that moment; after all it was the chic little Edward VIII who made Fair-isle jerseys something to aspire to rather than to accept from the hands of scrap-collecting maiden aunts with a few mumbled phrases *of ill-meant thanks.*

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● Above left: A patterned waistcoat which takes two to four 50g balls Super Pingouin four-ply plus one ball of each contrast colour. Check cap and matching scarf, £8.50; rust Viyella checked shirt, £14.95; green/brown tweed tie, £3.75; rust/cream knee-length patterned socks, £1.50; lace-up shoes from a selection, £10.99; tweed trousers from a wide range, £13.25.

● Above right: Boxy sleeveless jacket knitted in Pingouin Mohair mix "Cythère" worn over a black dress by Stirling Cooper which costs £32.99. Black patent shoes with a T-bar by Miss Holmes, £18.99.



David Steel looks back on a visit to Romania

What we can learn from the East European experience

There has been no official visit by Mr Callaghan or Mrs Thatcher for some time and as I set out on my own visit last week to Romania, I was pondering what useful purpose these visits served.

The obvious first answer is that the more contact between politicians of East and West the greater the chances of genuine détente and the easing of tension. Here Romania has played a distinctive part not only in her repeated invitations to British politicians, trade unionists, academics and businessmen but in the obvious success of the state visit of her president to London this summer. It is difficult to overestimate the impact which this had in Romania. Certainly it was a regular topic of conversation in Bucharest where my visit coincided with the biennial international trade fair, the most popular feature of which appeared to be the British company relaying videotape of the state visit to the watching crowds.

President Ceaucescu plugs his own distinctive line on disarmament and non-interference of sovereign states in the lives of one another. His foreign policy remains robustly independent of that of the Soviet Union. He is anxious to assert the responsibility of the smaller states in world affairs, not to abdicate in favour of the super-powers or Nato and Warsaw Pact blocks.

Most of my conversations were inevitably of a formal character with ministers and officials, but the off-duty occasions were also opportunities for breaking down barriers. There was one such totally unscheduled incident. We had left Bucharest early in the morning to fly to the northern town of Suceava for a crowded day's programme of meetings with local government officials, seeing rural development and visiting three of the magnificent painted monasteries, in the middle of which there had been an official lunch. When we returned to the town it was dark and misty and it was announced that our evening flight back to the capital (where I was due to have a late night supper with the British Ambassador) was impossible because fog had closed the airport.

Now 13 years of weekly commuting between London and Edinburgh has long inured me to such happenings. It is no use worrying about the next day's programme because there is nothing you can do about it. But the local Romanians were stricken with four people without so much as a toothbrush between them. The problem was solved with exemplary efficiency. A sleeping car was hauled into the station, warmed up for us to retire to bed early after a tiring day and later attached to the overnight train to the capital. The station master was duly paraded in place of the airport commandant to carry out official niceties.

While all this was being arranged we were taken to a local hotel to pass two hours over an unexpected dinner at which the conversation and wine flowed freely. No political talk, simply chit-chat and raconteuring. Next day our Romanian interpreter told me he had not laughed so much for years. Certainly it was as genuinely sociable and relaxed an evening as I'd had for many weeks. Laughter has a legitimate role in diplomacy, and we should not underestimate the value of all such exchanges added together.

The second obvious answer to the purpose of such visits is trade. It was good to see so many British companies seeking to expand into an obvious market, for Romania's rate of economic development is striking. BAC and Rolls-Royce have both benefited from the intergovernmental trade agreements. JCB were preparing to leave behind the latest ingenious lifting vehicle from their trade fair display to be put through a series of tests. Rank Xerox have over 90 machines in the country and had their latest versatile copiers on display. And by an extraordinary coincidence I arrived at one stand just as Romanian radio were signing a deal to purchase a studio control panel made by Neve Electronics in my own constituency. Exporting is not fun, but very hard work, which politicians should help to ease.

My third but less obvious conclusion is that there may be lessons we can learn in Britain from the experience of other states even based on such a different political and economic philosophy. We are so used to the blanker threat of being dragged into the model of an East European state with all its unacceptable restraints on individual freedom that we tend to assume that every aspect of their social and political system must be objectionable. What I find difficult about the anti-collectivist argument, as deployed in these columns for example, is the assumption that in order to resist collectivism we must endure a society where open season is given to wealth, influence, privilege and hierarchy at the expense of any concern for the less fortunate.

I believe that having to be of the right colour, the right school, the right class, in order to enjoy life to the full is not a necessary concomitant of the non-socialist society. Why should the choice of the British people be confined to two such narrow and ghastly alternatives?

It was good, therefore, to find in Romania some concrete working examples of some of the cooperative policies which the Liberal Party has been espousing. We surely do not have to accept universal state ownership of all enterprise as in Romania to be able to accept the free flow of information to the workforce and the cash bonuses by results—both of which I saw in a huge machine tool plant.

Each department had its own elected representatives on the works council, which effectively ran the place in cooperation with the director. On open display in each section of the shop floor were the statistics giving last month's results of production and resulting pay bonuses, as agreed by the council, together with the targets for the current month both for that particular section and the factory as a whole.

Even more remarkable was the organization of the new housing estates. Pleasant looking but insanitary old houses are being demolished in favour of vast blocks of flats no more aesthetic in Bucharest than in London. Yet they are surrounded by young trees, shrubs, flower beds and climbing creepers on the walls and balconies. No painted slogans, no broken windows, no vandalism of any kind is visible. How is that achieved? The flats are managed by tenant cooperatives, the better off being encouraged to purchase with the help of a state mortgage rather than rent.

The result is a feeling of community spirit and communal responsibility for the neighbourhood, totally lacking on similar estates in Britain today. Perhaps Tory and Labour councillors together with the flog-the-young-vandal brigade should take package tours to Romania to study this phenomenon. Or have we become so complacent as to believe that nobody else can teach us anything?

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Ronald Butt

Who really are the moderates when it comes to wages?

What is "moderate"? During the recent Conservative conference the "progressive" press frequently described Mr Edward Heath, and those other Tories who tend to share his views on the necessity for an incomes policy (even if they advance them with greater circumspection than he does) as "moderates". Sometimes those who hold this opinion were also referred to as being on the "left wing" of the Conservative Party, as though that description is automatically a synonym for moderation.

Mrs Thatcher, on the other hand, not to mention Sir Keith Joseph and, up to a point, Sir Geoffrey Howe, are commonly referred to in progressive circles as "right wing". By analogy, their policy of abandoning the attempt to use a formalized incomes policy as a major economic policy weapon in favour of a more disciplined control of the supply of money is regarded by "progressives" as "immoderate".

However, insistence on an incomes policy was not always taken as a sign of moderation. Mr Heath, when, as Prime Minister, he was attempting to enforce a statutory control of wages, was regarded by progressives as right wing and extremist—or, to borrow witty Sir Harold Wilson's coined phrase, as "Selsdon Man".

To Labour in 1973-74, an incomes policy seemed to be the work of the devil. Today, however, to be a Labour supporter of an incomes policy is a quintessential sign of moderation and responsibility—and Mr Callaghan and Mr Healey are the most moderate of men. This transformation was achieved at the time of Labour's social contract with the unions, after it took office in 1974. And the climate of Labour opinion has not changed, even though the social contract is now dead and the unions (after achieving the permanent legislation they wanted) have decided that the policy of controlling incomes under government direction was intended to be merely temporary.

So, nowadays, to be in favour of free collective bargaining in the Labour Party is extremist and left wing, while to be in favour of free collective bargaining in the Conservative Party is extremist and right wing. The only difference (though it is not exactly a small one) between the two extremes is that the Conservatives propose to use other means to control inflation (by refusing to print money to pay for public sector pay rises, so that they have to be covered by price increases if they cannot be provided for out of improved productivity and efficiency). The Labour left, on the other hand, is for the most part content to see what they call "the crisis of capitalism" overwhelm us, so that real socialism can be ushered in.

Thus the accepted wisdom (at any rate as it informs those who might generically be called *Guardian* Man) is that moderation in this matter is to be found in the Tory left and the Labour right, with Mr Steel as the still centre of the turning world when it comes to decent, sensible, acceptable and inevitable politics. And I do not doubt that the same opinion is to be found predominant in the Whitehall official mind which produces the policies for successive ministers as one lot move out and another lot move in.

Now moderation in this general sense is by no means confined to incomes policy. It applies as well to a whole range of other policies over which the centrist and official élite has also had its way—more often than not in opposition to the wishes and instinct of the wider public. It is, for instance, the predominance of this brand of opinion that has brought about the state of affairs of which Sir Robert Mark, the former Metropolitan Police Commissioner has so bitterly complained this week in his attack on changes in the law (including majority verdicts) and a niggardly attitude to police pay—which have combined to bring about a state of affairs in which the state, he says, might as well give up the pretence that it can any longer protect the citizen from burglary and theft.

The same sort of "arrogance, incompetence and prejudice" (Sir Robert Mark's words) have in my view been responsible for the building up of a number of other social problems by "liberal" and "moderate" opinion. The persistent damning, as unthinkable and unnecessary, of any considered argument for reducing immigration before it began to create grave problems was a conspicuous instance. Another was the rejection out of hand of any criticism of the damaging consequences of fashionable educational trends. The list could be made much longer. The one thing common to most items on it is that "moderate" opinion has generally deliberately defied what popular opinion would have wanted.

So let us return to the semantics of incomes policy. Not the least of its problems is whether all or only some incomes policies are to be seen as a sign of moderation. Does putting such a policy in statutory form (perhaps backed by a relativities board and the use of state power to determine who gets what) make it more or less moderate? Was Mr Heath being more (or less) moderate when he was seeking a purely voluntary arrangement or when he had recourse to the force of law? Was the Wilson statutory pay policy more (or less) moderate than the Callaghan policy which depends on the Government's say-so and the withholding of government patronage?

These are difficult questions which are not made any clearer when (to return to our point of departure) Mr Heath renews his calls for an incomes policy, since he does not say what kind of incomes policy he now has in mind. Indeed, he makes incomes policy sound so like a slogan that I am reminded of the protesting Cromwellian soldier who cried: "Indemnity! Indemnity!"—and afterwards asked his officer what it meant. Nobody quite knows what Mr Heath means either, which makes it hard to judge whether it is moderate or not.

None of this means that all is clarity on the monetarist side. We do not live in a perfect monetarist world, and if the key worker with monopoly union power in the public sector is hit by rising wages and prices in the private sector, or by inflation through external influences, it becomes politically hard for any government not to pr money. For what is it to do wi faced with a threat by, say, the el tricity workers to switch off the ind trial life of the nation if their dema are not met? And what of the cla of nurses, firemen and policem whose worth cannot be determined production and the market?

The broad lines of Conservat policy are, however, clear. In the pub sector, each case would be judged its merits, and to the extent that t Government might be prepared to s port a particular industry in w increases not covered by pr increases, that difference would h to be covered by raising taxes. Th is no question of there not being a T policy for incomes in the public secto there is only a determination that has to be in a different form from failures we have known so far—and is bound to have regard to equity whe remuneration cannot (as with nur and policemen) be judged on a ba of productivity.

It is not difficult to foresee t tensions that could arise from work resisting the deflationary impact such a discipline, and the embarra ment for a Government whose ma strategy rests on tax cutting if obe ence to its own kind of wages h obliges it to put taxes up.

Nevertheless, such an approach much more pragmatic, much mo educative, and better able to de flexibly with particular cases, th incomes policies of the convention kind, with their laws, norms, anom lies and evasions.

For success, the policy proposed Mrs Thatcher requires effective s tactful leadership. But whatever t risks of the policy, it is absurd to fa into the trap of thinking it le "moderate" than the incomes polici of the Heath-Wilson-Callaghan varier The only thing that is essential "moderate" about the kind of gene ally ineffective incomes policies w have had so far is that they a favoured by precisely the sort of centr political opinion whose idea of moder tion is that it must be something th the majority of people, in their heart do not want.

The danger of Britain's North Sea obsession

In a letter to *The Times* on July 21, Mr Nigel Haigh, vice-president of the European Environmental Bureau, drew attention to the fact that the EEC Commission had just granted a loan to the French commercial fast breeder reactor, Super Phénix.

"For the British Government", he went on, "this means that it is helping to underwrite a commercial fast breeder reactor on French soil despite its intention of holding a wide ranging inquiry before building one on British soil. For the Community it means that decisions to promote fast breeders can be taken by the Commission without reference to the Council of Ministers." This arose "because last year during the presidency of Tony Benn, British Secretary of State for Energy, the Council of Energy Ministers decided to allow the Commission, at its own discretion, to grant Euratom loans for nuclear electricity production".

Mr Haigh's distress was understandable. The Environmental Bureau had played a major part in the inconclusive nuclear "hearings" conducted earlier this year by Commissioner Brunner. The bureau did not agree with the conclusions drawn by the Commission from those public debates.

The decision by Mr Benn to hold a similar public inquiry into the implications of the "plutonium economy", before sanctioning the installation of a fast breeder reactor in the United Kingdom, seemed an important consolation prize.

But if France, with EEC backing, was to go ahead with a fast breeder irrespective of the outcome of the British debate, much of the value to the environmentalists of a British inquiry would be lost.

If there were to be environmental damage arising out of the French investment, the consequences might not be limited to France. The United Kingdom might equally suffer from whatever fall-out occurred, yet it appears powerless to stop France following the plutonium route.

It is a pity that Mr Haigh's letter has not attracted more response, for he is drawing attention to an issue of major importance. Despite the close links and mutual interests of the EEC member states, they are in fact pursuing diametrically opposed energy policies. The reason is, of course, the absence of an effective EEC energy policy.

The reason why Mr Benn is evidently unwilling to oppose France's enthusiasm for nuclear energy is not, one presumes, that he harbours a secret yen for the plutonium economy. It is that he does not want to create a precedent which would allow other EEC countries a pretext for intervening in the debate on the strategy for North Sea oil—a strategy which is being developed in the UK Energy Commission, which brings together ministers, nationalized industries, trade unions, and a small group of consumer representatives.

The key aspects of this debate concern the rate of depletion for North Sea reserves, and pricing policy—which is designed to favour the British industrial consumer. Britain's partners in the EEC believe they should have a say on both questions, and that the Community treaties require Britain to supply oil and gas to them on the same terms as to her own industries.

The British Government disagrees. Therefore there can be, in present circumstances, no Community energy policy. Therefore every country is free to pursue its own energy strategy, irrespective of the impact on its neighbours.

The implications of this situation are far from satisfactory. It so happens that the EEC Commission has a strong institutional bias in favour of nuclear energy. The reason is that it incorporates the Euratom Commission, which was set up in the late 1950s to develop nuclear energy on a European level. Euratom never had much impact, because member-governments—especially France—saw it as a potential rival to their own national nuclear programmes, and ensured that its wings were kept clipped.

Subsequently it was absorbed into the EEC Commission. During its independent life, however, it accumulated a powerful staff, now lodged in influential positions within the Commission. The Euratom Treaty, designed to promote nuclear power, is one of the three basic constitutional instruments of the European Community.

The nuclear lobby, therefore, is strongly entrenched in Brussels, and the Commission has tended to act as a propagandist for nuclear energy. The oil price explosion of 1973-74 gave the Commission what it saw as a unique opportunity to promote its preferred solution to Europe's energy problems, and there was (and probably still is) a good deal of bureaucratic impatience with the environmentalists' protests.

It can be argued that, in the present state of uncertainty and policy vacuum, it is inappropriate for the Community to back loans for the development of any particular type of energy (other, presumably, than those "benign" sources of self-renewing energy by wind, tide or sun, which we all agree are desirable but which are not likely to make a significant impact this side of the millenium). The Community, it can be argued, should concentrate on non-controversial areas such as energy conservation.

But much more important is the question whether Europe can any longer afford not to have an energy policy. The environmental hazards—if indeed they exist—of particular forms of nuclear energy will not stop at national frontiers. It is surely, at the least, important that the EEC member-states should share their experience and discuss the available options before deciding on their individual energy strategies.

But, if this is to happen, Britain will have to allow its EEC partners to participate in the North Sea oil debate. And why not? One of the United Kingdom's strongest assets in the Community is her uniquely favourable energy balance, based on indigenous coal, oil and natural gas as well as a viable nuclear industry.

The United Kingdom indeed needs export markets for her coal if present plans for that industry are to be met. We are also acquiring an export potential in oil. It will be accepted by most if not all other EEC governments that the United Kingdom must retain strategi control of the depletion rate o the North Sea reserves; and whatever the treaties may say it would in practice anyway be difficult to disentangle the pricing structures to identify differential subsidies accorded to the British processor and consumer of petroleum products.

The real threat to the United Kingdom from an EEC energy policy is almost certainly remote. Given that, the British Government is not capitalizing on North Sea oil from a European political point of view. Our "hands off" attitude arouses anger, and prevents us from playing the leading role in the evolution of energy strategies in Europe, to which our expertise and knowledge entitle us.

Once again, as in the European monetary debate, we are playing our cards clumsily and defensively, without generosity or imagination.

In the monetary field, the risks to the United Kingdom o this negative approach ar immediate and obvious, an have been much commented on In the energy field they ar much harder to assess, becaus the environmental case agains over-reliance on nuclear energ is as yet unproven.

But if the environmentalist prove right, we may come t regret our obsession with keep ing North Sea oil "British" And if they prove spectacular wrong—as we must all hope—we could find that insularit had once again cost us technological lead.

Michael Shank



E.P. Thompson:

The state versus its 'enemies'

What kind of freedom under law do we have?

Last week, the Attorney-General replied to critics who had objected to the screening of potential jurors in the first Aubrey, Berry, Campbell trial under the Official Secrets Act. He said checks had been made on the records of jurors in 25 'important' and 'exceptional' trials.

In this week's New Society, the radical historian, E.P. Thompson – author of 'Whigs and Hunters' and 'The Making of the English Working Class' – checks back over the record of jury-packing in State Trials. He raises some awkward questions for the present. Also in this week's issue: *Peter Marsh talks to a New York gang – The Sex Boys; psychiatrist Morris Fraser analyses the Barrie trilogy; and in our special University Books pages, Barbara Wootton lays into W.W. Rostow.*

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FINE ARTS DIARY

Sir Norman says Enough is enough

Sir Norman Reid, Director of the Tate Gallery since 1964, plans to retire soon after the Tate's £2.5m extension (rear right, as you face it) is opened next May. He has told Lord Bullock, chairman of the gallery's trustees—and of so much else—of his intention.

Sir Norman, who is 62, is known to feel that he has been at the Tate for an awfully long time, and has had enough. He joined in 1946, after army service, and bankers to return to painting, which he studied at Edinburgh College of Art.

The extension has been a preoccupation for about 20 years, and its opening would be a crowning point for Sir Norman. The trustees asked him to stay on when he reached 60, no doubt esteeming his competence, amiability, refreshing straightforwardness and the relative imminence of the great opening.

The Queen has been asked to perform the latter: if she accepts, it would be a pleasant compliment to contemporary British painting, and to the Tate's part in public life. The happy idea has even been mooted that Prince Charles be invited to become a trustee.

The stop-go extension will increase exhibition space by about half; in anticipation of that some galleries are already being rehung, adding reserve stock at higher wall densities than before. A whole room of Stanley Spencer's work is quite a spectacle.

Sir Norman's successor—the field does not seem crowded—is not to be envied. Running a gallery responsible for modern foreign painting and ancient and modern British work is virtually impossible, particularly with inadequate funds. A succession of recent "heritage situations" has knocked funds sideways and tested Sir Norman's ingenuity. Thanks to the latter, £4,000 is still rolling in each week from the Ladbroke's lottery set up to save Stubbs's "Haymakers".

Big dealer loses Tooth

After the big marriage, a small divorce. Only two years ago two of London's best-known firms of picture dealers, Waddington's of Cork Street and Tooth's of Bruton Street, joined forces to form Waddington's and Tooth's. Now, not all that surprisingly, the marriage has come unstuck.

"It is all very friendly", says Leslie Waddington, who loves pictures more and profits less than he sometimes pretends, as he whizzes between his three galleries and abroad. "Basically they are very traditional dealers, and we are very much to do with now. They will stay upstairs, and deal more privately. The name will change at the end of the month."

"It is a difference in philosophy", says Nicholas Tooth, whose long-established family firm specialized in high-priced Impressionist and post-Impressionist works. "Leslie wants to concentrate on the contemporary side, in his more entrepreneurial way." Peter Cochrane, another director from Tooth's, who is just 65, is leaving the young men to go their own ways and retiring.

Repaying the beasts

An artist with mass appeal who can sell 78 oil paintings in 20 minutes for a total of £147,000 must be rated a phenomenon. Such was the enthusiasm for David Shepherd's last 18 months of work on show at the Tryon Gallery in Dover Street, Westminster, that seven Americans flew over just to put their name into the hat from which the lucky buyers were drawn—or so he assures me.

Nor is it just oils they want. Reproductions of his animal and landscape studies in signed, limited editions of 850, sell for what is to me an astonishing £150 each.

Shepherd is a tall, craggy chap of 47 with a slightly overpowering but largely affable manner. He has an Elizabethan farmhouse with 16 acres in Surrey, and reckons he is at the top of the ladder and deserves to be: not that he keeps much of what he earns, he repeatedly says. Mr Healey takes care of that.

The way up has not been easy. When he left Stowe, he thought he was God's gift to Kenya's national parks, but they disagreed. He tried the Slade. They failed him. Then he met a marine and portrait painter called Robin Goodwin, who taught him to paint and be businesslike.

From designing Christmas cards he progressed through calendars to the mass sale of prints at £4.50 each, mainly through Boots The Chemists. One called "Wise Old Elephant" surged into the top 10 most popular prints in 1960, as later did "Lords of the Jungle", "Elephants at Amboseli", "Pride of Lions" and a landscape or two.



Looking at what had happened to some artists who over exploited their popularity, Shepherd moved into limited editions, a number of which he has sold for the benefit of the World Wildlife Fund, raising a total so far of £380,000: he simply wants to repay some of the pleasure and profit animals have given him. To me his work has slight implicit sentimentality—which may partly account for its success.

Enhancing our parks

How nice to find that th junior minister responsible f our royal parks and ancie monuments is not only keen c the fine arts and a modest co lector, but also prepared stick out her neck on the behalf.

Lady Birk, life peer, forme journalist, and Under-Secretar of State at the Department the Environment has foster the installation in Hyde Pa and Regents Park of 15 piec of contemporary sculpture along Park Lane, the nin pieces of Barbara Hepworth "Family of Man", lent b Nigel Broackes, chairman Trafalgar Investments; and s pieces in the south-east corn of Regent's Park, mainly le and sited by the artists, inclu ing Kenneth Armitage, Phil King and Robert Adams.

Two years ago the sculpt Elisabeth Frink wrote to *T Times* advocating a sculptu park by the Serpentine Galler in Kensington Gardens. La Birk took up the idea, forme a committee, and little mo than a year later the sculptur were selected and in plac Now Henry Moore, whose exh bition in Kensington Garde has agreed to make a pe manent loan of a bronze to b sited in Greenwich Park, sh told me delightedly in h picture-filled office.

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ALLOUS AND STUPID

industrial action by hospital tenance supervisors, which now continued for almost a th, is an affair that brings credit to either side. It is ering unacceptable costs to the health service and to patients it serves, yet the ediate issues are small beer oth sides. The fact that the ute has reached this point cates the inadequacy of the th service's industrial rela- machinery. The Advice, tiliation and Arbitration Ser- which analysed those equacies in a recent report, ow charged with the task of ing out the tangle that siness and pettiness have ed.

s workers in the health ser- have grown increasingly y to use their power to cause ering as a weapon in pay dis- s, an unofficial convention established itself, according hich it is morally justifiable erent the treatment of cases classified as emergencies, so as emergency services are ved to continue. Earlier this r, hospital switchboard opera- pursued this principle to the t of instructing doctors ch of their cases were emer- cies and which were not. But n apart from such absurdities, convention is an unsafe one. re is no medical borderline ween one kind of case and the er. An exploratory operation regarded as urgent often overs a condition needing ediate treatment. Delay adds the risk even of minor sur- y. It is false to pretend that ion aimed at non-emergencies does not directly cause fear, pain and real danger among patients, many of whom are old or handicapped.

The supervisors' dispute is over differentials. There has been discontent for four years over a grading system which included an overlap in pay between the top of the scale for craftsmen and the bottom of the scale for the men supervising them. The latter, a highly skilled and normally responsible group, put up with this while official wage controls were in force. This year the management offered a regrading scheme which would raise the bottom of the supervisors' scale by £1,527 to £4,497, well clear of the craftsmen. But the offer was rejected, because craftsmen in some areas had negotiated local productivity agreements, the bonuses from which bring workers at the top of the scale to just £4,665.

Thus in some areas newly appointed supervisors (with the prospect of regular increments ahead of them) may lag roughly three pounds a week behind the longest-serving craftsmen under them. In the country as a whole, about 600 individuals are in this position. It is nonsense to pretend that this overlap constitutes any major injustice, threat to authority or disincentive to recruitment. It obviously creates no pretext for a general increase to all supervisors. Such anomalies are not unprecedented in the NHS: many consultants were recently in just the same position. But the mixture of national and local bargaining in the case is calculated to magnify grievances. If one group of workers reaps the benefits of a genuine increase in productivity, it is not unnatural that those who directly supervise them should expect to share the rewards. They may well have contributed to the gain themselves. Yet it seems that the management made no attempt to pursue the idea of a productivity agreement until just a few days ago.

Both sides have extraneous motives for taking up such rigid positions. There is fierce competition for NHS recruits at present among several unions, each anxious not to be outbidden by the others. The management are preoccupied by the Government's pay policy, and by the prospect of much larger claims from much larger (and worse paid) groups of health service workers. The publicity the conflict has attracted has given it a significance in this context that it need never have had. It has already proved possible to adjust NHS grades substantially within the overall percentage that official policy allows, and it seems unlikely that three pounds a week for 600 workers, or even a little more, cannot also be accommodated. The Government is entitled to impose strict limits on pay increases in the sector for which it is directly responsible, but would be short-sighted not to use every means of mitigating the anomalies that such policies tend to create. Neither side has been sufficiently concerned to bring this dispute to an end. In the meantime the soiled linen piles up, and the blind and the lame continue to wait.

COUNTRY IS JUDGED BY THOSE WHO LEAVE IT

e Vietnamese gratefully used in Kensington barracks ve brought to life the stories d for months past of refugees m that unhappy country. But the kindly master of a British p all might have been drowned died from lack of food or ter. Many thousands of lucky s have landed in camps in iland or Malaysia. No one ows how many have been un- ky and foundered. Ships have en been ignoring boats in uble because they think that one will accept their human go.

Like all heart-rending stories suffering this one needs to be oked at both sympathetically d realistically. In September ore people left Vietnam in ats than at any time since the r ended in 1975. The number those leaving began to go up t March when more rigorous rictives imposed economic and cial change upon the people of uth Vietnam. But those most fected were the overseas hinese and they are a special se that has since become a atter of bitter argument be- een the governments in Hanoi d Peking. The Chinese say that most 200,000 refugees from ietnam have crossed the orthern border into China. rom the evidence available about half of those leaving by sea and making for ports in South-east Asia have also been Vietnamese of Chinese origin.

Subtract half the total, however, and that still leaves many, many thousand refugees leaving their homeland, hoping for succour from somewhere. Who are they? What may be done for them? The term "refugee" has acquired its modern meaning from the post-war conditions of eastern and western Europe and in particular from the revealed horrors of Stalinist Russia. By definition, as adopted by the United Nations High Commissioner, a refugee is a person who leaves his own country for another because of a well-founded fear of persecution by reason of race, religion, nationality, political association or social grouping. How many of those leaving Vietnam can be said to have such well-founded fears? After a civil war, such as both China and Vietnam experienced before a communist government came to power, there are scores to be settled. But aside from some thousands who escaped in time to America in 1975 any such phase would seem to be over in Vietnam.

For the most part the refugees leaving now are those who see their lives to be so circumscribed as to offer them no opportunity in the future. Some have come through a process of "re-education" but have no prospect of any but the lowest grade of employment. Many more have skills they believe they could put to use elsewhere and being hard-working and well-educated have the initiative to get away if possible. Looking around them at the economy of south Vietnam, under an unsympathetic government warped by years of war, smashed by endless bombing, and now with the added distress of severe natural disasters—no wonder a population three quarters of which are dwellers in the coastal plain look to the sea for salvation.

Fortunately there has lately been some relaxation in the restrictions imposed by receiving countries. The Americans have opened their doors wider. Australia and Canada are taking more and other countries may follow. But if betterment of their hopeless circumstances is as much as anything the cause for escape and if, as is reported, news gets back of the fate of those who have gone, might not more open doors simply increase the flow? Obviously the best solution for all such distressed people is that the conditions in their own country should be so improved that their wish to emigrate should disappear. Vietnam should be shamed to action by this exodus.

POOR CHESS AND POOR SPORTSMANSHIP

would be churlish not to fer congratulations to Anatoly arpov on his retention of e world chess championship. alike his own seconds, advisers nd general entourage, he seems have behaved correctly, rather etter, in fact, than his opponent. arpov's victory, however, was iminished in a number of ways. he standard of play was, apart rom a handful of games, sadly elow what might be expected rom the two players alleged to e the best in the world although it is arguable that the till brooding Fischer would ave had little trouble in dis- osing of either of them). If nything, the honours on the urely chess aspect of the con- rontation went to Korchnoi, who played both better and worse than Karpov. At his best he was far more imaginative and resourceful and showed, for a man of his age, astounding stamina and powers of recovery.

Unfortunately, the battle of Baguio will not be remembered for its chess, but for the political and psychological skirmishing surrounding the series. The game of chess lost a great deal in dignity and respect. The antics of the two sides have done a disservice to it. The political overtones were there at the beginning, and were probably unavoidable. The symbolism of a dedicated machine-like Russian confronting a vociferous and aggressive defector was too obvious to be entirely ignored. But when that already existing source of tension was overlaid by allegations of secret signals transmitted by yoghurt, the presence of unblinking parapsychologists, and yoga lessons being given by people on bail for murder, belonging to a sect otherwise known for its members' propensity to public suicide, the skills of the game itself had little chance to gain the upper hand.

It may be that the peripheral shenanigans acted more to the disadvantage of Korchnoi than Karpov. He seems to have been genuinely affected for the worse by the Russian para-psychologist and for the better by his yoga teachers. On the face of it, too, the decisions of the jury seem to have been more favourable to Karpov. It must be said, however, that Korchnoi contributed in no small measure to the indignity of the proceedings.

The match has also shown virtually beyond doubt what was suspected after the last world championship between Fischer and Spassky: that the format of the competition is conducive neither to play of high quality nor, necessarily, to the better player winning the series. Too many extraneous factors influence the result.

A much fairer test of ability would be a world championship, consisting of the ten or twelve best players, run on a league basis, like most chess tournaments. The winner would be the player who performed most consistently, not just repetitiously against the same player, but against a variety of opponents. To ensure even greater fairness, every contender could play every other twice, once with the white pieces, the other with the black. Stamina would be less important than skill, because the number of games played would be finite. It is absurd that a championship should take three months to complete, (longer is possible in theory) with so many games not counting towards the result. The players who make up the finalists would, as now, reach that stage through a series of qualifying tournaments. The winner of the final would be recognised as world champion without the reservations which will undoubtedly attach to Karpov's title. If a reform along those lines can be achieved, the disappointing events of Baguio will have been turned to good effect.

A £52 television licence ?

From Mr Bryan Forbes

Sir, I am constantly amazed by the absurdity of the present system whereby the finest broadcasting organization in the world is kept on the breadline. In terms of value for money the present licence fee is a steal and, if existing standards are to be maintained, then an immediate case could be made for raising the annual licence to £52, since £1 a week is a small price to pay for thousands of hours of entertainment.

Providing the old and the needy were protected, the majority of viewers could well afford what is after all only the price of twenty cigarettes and two pints of beer. Equally, the costly and ineffective "Gestapo" detection vans could be done away with if common sense was applied to the mechanics of collecting the licence fees.

I have written to three successive Chancellors inquiring why it is not possible to collect the licence fee in exactly the same way as motor licences are issued: that is to say, whenever a viewer buys or hires a television set the cost of the licence is added to the invoice, unless a valid licence is produced. Old age pensioners and others on reduced incomes could be given special dispensation.

There is no real justification for obliging the BBC to hawk its wares in a begging bowl at periodic intervals. The Treasury derives enormous sums from the Television Levy and the Independent Broadcasting Authority's secondary rentals from commercial stations, but it is the BBC that sets the standards that others strive to emulate.

It seems that we can afford anything in this country except culture. Politicians of all hues, avid for exposure on the box, but only if they control it, seem determined to undermine the BBC's vital autonomy through the chequebook.

The BBC may not be perfect, but by God it is vastly superior to any other broadcasting system in the world and we shall erode its authority at our peril.

I am, yours sincerely,
BRYAN FORBES,
Pinewood Studios,
Iver Heath,
Buckinghamshire.
October 15.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

How the police are treated

From Mr Reginald Maudling, MP for Barnet, Chipping Barnet (Conservative)

Sir, As Home Secretary in Mr Heath's Government, it fell to my lot to select and appoint Sir Robert Mark as Commissioner of Police of the metropolis. In that post he did a magnificent job and earned the respect and gratitude of the Metropolitan Police and of the citizens of London.

It was, therefore, with some sadness that I read the account in your columns this morning (October 18) of his intemperate outburst against succeeding governments. Sir Robert is a dedicated and eloquent spokesman for the police, and it is good that he should be so, for he is doing something that his colleagues still in uniform cannot do, but he still has an obligation to be fair.

I particularly regret his reported remarks that governments in recent years have treated the police with "contemptuous disregard". This he applies to all recent governments of both parties, and, presumably, *a fortiori*, to Home Secretaries who have been the responsible Ministers.

In fact, in his recently published autobiography, Sir Robert refers to the fact that his relations with me and my successor, Lord Carr of Hadley, were cordial. Indeed they were. But it is hard to see how we could have had this cordial relationship if Sir Robert was of the opinion that we were treating him and his colleagues with "contemptuous disregard".

Yours faithfully,
REGINALD MAUDLING,
House of Commons.
October 18.

Race and education

From the General Secretary of the National Union of Teachers

Sir, I have every confidence in the ability of Professor Steven Rose and Dr Ken Richardson, my colleagues at the Open University, to deal with the detailed criticism made by Professor Eysenck of the material they supplied for my union's recent pamphlet, *Race, Education and Intelligence*. I will only observe that, for all his sweeping allegations of bias and inaccuracy in that material, Professor Eysenck provided no serious evidence to substantiate such a charge.

What I wish to do is address myself to Professor Eysenck's suggestion that a teachers' union ought not to publish a guide of the kind we have issued.

I suppose one should welcome the fact, at least, that he concedes the UNT has acted from the best of motives, but clearly he would have preferred that we should not act at all. Or could it be that he would have had no objection to us acting if we had taken his view on the matters of race, education and intelligence?

I find it incredible that Professor Eysenck should suggest that our organization, whose members witness daily the effect, or the potential effect, of racial prejudice in the community and on the children whose education is entrusted to their care, should be expected to stand aside and do nothing to throw light on the myths and attitudes which contribute to that prejudice.

I can only conclude that Professor Eysenck is unaware of the history and traditions of the NUT and the stand it has been prepared to take on such issues as racialism and equality of opportunity. Or perhaps Professor Eysenck is not ignorant of that history and those traditions, but thinks they can be dismissed by his condemnatory references to "ideological bias", whatever that might mean?

I am not sure where Professor Eysenck stands on the issues of race relations and racial prejudice, though I suspect his letter betrays a marked reluctance to stand up and be counted on the side of those who are opposed to the myths of the superiority of certain "races", and it seems clear we do not have his support for a determined effort by teachers to improve race relations by countering such myths.

I regret this as much as I welcome the help we have received from Professor Steven Rose and Dr Ken Richardson and the fine response we have had from teachers seeking to use our pamphlet in the cause of countering racial prejudice.

Yours faithfully,
FRED JARVIS,
Hamilton House,
Mabledon Place, WC1.
October 17.

Pope John Paul II

From Mr George Pazzi-Axworthy

Sir, However spurious the Malachy prophecies may be it has been pointed out to me that the motto *De labore solis* appears to fit Pope John Paul II very well as he is indeed a worker from the East.

Yours sincerely,
GEORGE PAZZI-AXWORTHY,
3 & 4 Stone Buildings,
Lincoln's Inn, WC2.
October 17.

From Mr J. C. Davis

Sir, So Cardinal Luciani enters history as Pope John Paul I. Little did I think when you published my letter on September 1, when I inquired as to how long we might have to wait for Pope John Paul II, that it would be barely two months.

Yours truly,
J. C. DAVIS,
The Coach House,
The Drive,
Chichester.
October 16.

Paper chase

From Mr Tom Benyon

Sir, May I suggest that the Press Council might spend some time in investigating why Sir Harold Wilson has been attempting to smear the press? It might take less than four years.

Yours faithfully,
TOM Y. BENYON,
The Old Rectory,
Adstock,
Near Winslow,
Buckinghamshire.
October 17.

Increasing industrial productivity

From the Chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board

Sir, Whenever one points out, as I did in my letter to you of October 6, that the German and Japanese companies have three and four times as much resources per worker and that maybe our companies need a bit more money, some brilliant entrepreneur (in this case Sir Emmanuel Kaye, October 11) pops up and says "No need—look at my company" and someone else (this time Mr J. P. Hall, October 13) pops up and says "Don't give them a penny, look at the motor industry".

Neither example is typical and, generally, British industry is doing extraordinarily well on quite inadequate resources. In the last three years we have held our share in world trade. Last year we increased our volume of exports by 8½ per cent yielding £6.7 billion (compared to a net improvement of oil revenue by £1.1 billion) and this year so far exports are up another 3½ per cent in volume yielding £2.3 billion (compared to just under £½ billion improvement in oil).

With invisibles, total overseas revenue is running at £54 billion a year. We would be mad to starve this tremendous effort—we are more dependent on exports than any other major country. We export more of our national product than the Germans, half as much again as the French, twice as much as the Japanese and three times as much as the Americans.

This is no time to lose our nerve. We have to back up our front line exporters with real resources keeping their products and specifications up to date and giving them the volume of output to meet demand. You don't send troops in to fight tanks with bare bayonets.

Yours truly,
FRED CATHERWOOD, Chairman,
British Overseas Trade Board,
1 Victoria Street, SW1.

Sharing the profits

From Mr George Copeman

Sir, Although I very much agree with Mr Nicholas Davenport on the importance of sharing the profits, I was disappointed that he did not mention the profit sharing provisions of the Finance Act 1978. This recent legislation has the following eight advantages:

1 It is adapted from 60 years of American experience and 10 years of French.

2 It is based on the experience of six British companies whose employee share schemes were set up prior to the Act.

3 It provides employees with a direct financial interest in the companies where they work.

4 It can be used equally by private companies, public companies, state-owned firms, multinationals, consortia, cooperatives and the service companies of partnerships.

5 It has achieved all-party support in the House of Commons and is therefore likely to endure.

6 It provides a means of continually moving the ownership of a business towards those who actually work there.

7 At the same time, because employees shares are saleable after five years, it enables the majority ownership of any firm to remain in the hands of a capital-providing entrepreneur, be he a private person, a group of investors, an agency of the state, a multinational or any other.

8 It is justifiably outside of pay policy, for the enterprise can obtain new investment funds through the share scheme and the employees obtain no immediate cashable benefit.

Finally, the alleged disadvantage —that employees have "all their eggs in one basket"—is invalid. In the Welfare State of Britain there are so many supports for those in adversity that it is impossible for any group of people to put "all their eggs in one basket". Let us not cry for the employee who may be unlucky enough to lose the value of his profit share.

Yours faithfully,
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94 St Paul's Churchyard, EC4.

Britain's economic growth

From Professor W. A. Cole

Sir, Paul Johnson (October 11) and Harford Thomas (October 16) are both wrong about early nineteenth century growth rates. The estimates of national income per head in 1801 and 1851 quoted by Mr Harford Thomas are in current prices and take no account of the fact that in the decades following the Napoleonic Wars substantial productivity gains were reflected in falling prices rather than rising money incomes.

An attempt to express the same estimates in the average prices of 1865 and 1985 yields figures for 1801 and 1851 of £12.9 and £23.7 respectively (Deane and Cole, *British Economic Growth, 1688-1959* [1967 ed], p282), which implies that the rate of growth of real incomes *per capita* averaged 1.2 per cent per annum over the period.

As for Paul Johnson's figure, it is worth recalling that at no time in Britain's recorded history has the economy achieved a long term growth rate of 4 per cent in either aggregate or *per capita* terms, and that the attempt to do so, in the National Economic Plan of 1964-65, ended in failure.

Yours sincerely,
ALAN COLE,
Head of Department,
Department of Economic History,
University College of Swansea,
Singleton Park,
Swansea.

Taxation and inflation

From Mr D. C. Berry

Sir, Whatever the outcome of the current major wage claims, the Government will collect in taxation about one third of the increased earnings.

Cannot a means be devised for this to be used to reduce inflation rather than being a significant contributor to inflation?

Yours faithfully,
D. C. BERRY,
The Dower House,
Cameron Chamberlayne,
Salisbury.

Dispute in the NHS

From the General Secretary of NALGO

Sir, NALGO joins with Mr Rodger (October 17) in feeling sympathy for patients caught up in the effects of the industrial action currently being undertaken by hospital engineers and building supervisors. Mr Rodger, however, is misinformed. These NALGO members are not on strike. They are refusing to undertake tasks for which they are not being paid: additionally they are not carrying out certain maintenance work. They made their decision to take industrial action in a ballot and following the normal processes in a democratic society.

During the four years that hospital engineers and building supervisors have patiently waited for attention to be given to their justifiable claims for a restructuring of salary scales, precious little was heard of their grievance. It is good to know, although perhaps a little belatedly, that Mr Rodger agrees that they deserve more money.

He should, however, address his complaints to the Secretary of State for Social Services whose predecessor promised a solution to the problem by December 1974. Mr Ennals himself has known of the impending industrial action since June and in fact in response to his intervention the action was delayed for a fortnight.

The responsibleness and responsibility of the hospital engineers and building supervisors should be matched by a similar commitment to the Health Service by the Minister responsible for it.

For too long have successive governments who dictate employers' pay policy in the Health Service, cynically traded on the dedication of the staffs in that Service. It is only after years of frustration that such staffs have been forced, against all their traditions, into industrial action to gain attention to their grievances.

Mr Rodger, the nails in the coffin of the welfare state are not being driven in by hospital engineers taking industrial action after four long years of waiting, but by a society that will stand by while one of the greatest expressions of its humanity is starved of resources and which denies a conscientious group of staff into a position where all that is left for them is to take limited industrial action.

Yours faithfully,
GEOFFREY DRAIN,
General Secretary,
National and Local Government Officers Association,
1 Mabledon Place, WC1.

Assisted school places

From Mr D. J. Jewell

Sir, John Rae has once again raised his voice in opposition to the Assisted Places Scheme (October 13) and the words of the immediate past chairman of the Headmasters' Conference tend to be regarded as being spoken *ex cathedra*.

Dr Rae says that, on this issue, he speaks for himself: it might have helped to put the matter in perspective had he also said that the Assisted Places Scheme has been discussed widely and at length by members of the Headmasters' Conference and that support for the scheme is official HMC policy. No vote was cast against it and the majority of HMC members have given the scheme a warm and enthusiastic welcome.

John Rae is an active member of the Liberal Party and one of its advisers on educational policy. The Liberal Party was never enthusiastic about direct grant schools and has dismissed the Assisted Places Scheme out of hand, committed as the party is to total comprehensive education. It is not surprising, therefore, that John Rae holds such views.

What is surprising is that he does not occasionally feel uncomfortable at Westminster School as the logic of his arguments would lead to educational apartheid with the independent sector of the rich and the maintained sector for those unable to pay.

The Assisted Places Scheme is a means of extending parental choice and of bringing independent education within reach of a much wider population and the Conservative Party has seen this clearly.

I very much doubt whether Norman St John-Stevas will heed such advice from a political opponent, particularly when this advice is cast against a policy which has been well considered, will lead to greater opportunities for a larger number of people and enjoys such a wide measure of support throughout the country.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID JEWELL,
Chairman of the Headmasters' Conference Direct Grant Sub-Committee,
Bristol Cathedral School,
College Green,
Bristol.

Culling Orknev seals

From Dr C. B. Goodhart

Sir, Mr L. J. Patient (October 12) asks us to "remember that all animals have a right to live", regardless of the damage they do to human economic interests. But would he apply that principle to rats and mice, as well as to seals? If not, why not?

Yours, etc.,
C. B. GOODHART,
University Museum of Zoology,
Downing Street,
Cambridge.

From Mr J. W. Bennett

Sir, "Good News my little darlings . . . a great victory", said the Momma seal to the baby seals. "You are now to be slaughtered by nice, kind, local people instead of those nasty wicked foreigners."

Yours etc.,
J. W. BENNETT,
92 Wycombe Road,
Princes Risborough.

Selling stolen antiques

From Miss Ruth Eldridge

Sir, Stolen goods are no use to a thief unless he can be sure of selling them. An alternative to catching the thief is to stop his outlets and make his trade unprofitable. Why then is the protection given to a sale in "Market Overt" allowed to survive.

If goods are sold in "Market Overt" in accordance with its usage the buyer gets a good title even if the goods are stolen. The buyer's title can be upset only if the actual thief can be caught and convicted. A fairly futile hope.

This protection is given not only to the few surviving Mediaeval fairs but to modern statutory markets. The true owner has little hope of tracking down his property as he might have done when the distance between markets was so far as a horse could travel.

The thief should no longer be offered a guaranteed outlet where the buyer need ask no questions whatever his suspicion.

Yours faithfully,
RUTH ELDRIDGE,
84 Wimpole Street, W1.

Lord Boothby on Churchill

From Sir John Colville

Sir, Such is Lord Boothby's charm that reviewers and interviewers are impressed by his *ex cathedra* pronouncements. It is even conceivable that some credulous people may believe his entirely false assertion to your correspondent, Roger Berthoud, that Winston Churchill was ga-ga when he took office in 1951.

His Lordship further claims to have had a love-hate relationship with Churchill in those days. It must have been a one-sided affair, for I am sure Churchill had no smattering of either love or hatred for Lord Boothby. On the contrary, except for occasional meetings in the Smoking Room of the House of Commons, he seldom set eyes on him.

My sole reason for taking up arms in this matter is that Lord Boothby, among other extravagant statements, says that Churchill was a cruel man. This is in itself evidence how little he knew Churchill; for the reverse was true. Perhaps in the circumstances, I, too, may venture to make an *ex cathedra* statement.

After 1941, when Churchill's distaste for what he called a "man-hunt" saved Lord Boothby much personal trouble and inconvenience, Churchill seldom saw him, never consulted him and was not remotely interested in his views. Boothby on Churchill, at any rate after 1939, is not history.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
JOHN COLVILLE,
The Old Rectory,
Stratfield Saye,
Reading,
Berkshire.

Swear or affirm

From Dr Graham Robertson

Sir, Is it not about time that courts ceased using a religious oath when witnesses are sworn in? I raise this issue because of a conversation which I had with a number of medical colleagues who frequently have to appear in court on behalf of their patients.

None had any religious affiliation or belief, but all took the oath rather than affirm, giving as their reason for doing this, their opinion that judges tend to place less credence on their testimony if they affirm.

Surely the function of the oath is to inspire some sense of awe in the witness and to remind him or her that the law is prepared to punish perjury. The present oath does not serve this latter function.

Christians and other theists should object to the concept of God being used as a legal, administrative device and atheists should not feel that they have to swear by a God in whom they do not believe in order to protect the credibility of their evidence.

A new oath should be devised which emphasizes the importance of the act of giving evidence and at the same time reminds witnesses of the potential legal consequences if they lie. Believers need not and should not be distinguished from non-believers before giving evidence.

Yours etc.,
GRAHAM ROBERTSON,
153 Ruskin Park House,
Champion Hill, SE5.

'Bubbles'

From Vice Admiral Sir Louis Le Bailly

Sir, All those who served in the Royal Navy during the lifetime of that great naval officer Admiral Sir William James, GCB, as well as naval and art historians would be shocked, if they read it, at the statement (October 14) by your Sale Room Correspondent, describing Millais' famous painting of him in childhood as being, "an immensely popular portrait of a sweet little girl".

James was "Bubbles" to his contemporaries when he joined Britannia and such was the affection in which he was held that he was "Bubbles" to the whole Navy when he left the active list. He was also, I think, "Bubbles" to most of the people of Portsmouth when, as Commander in Chief, he and his beloved wife, shared with them the agony of the blitz.

Yours sincerely,
LOUIS LE BAILLY,
Good Monday's Farm,
Dauntsey,
Chippenham.

The long and the short

From Mr R. Quarendon

Sir, Your Defence Correspondent says (October 12) that "the length of (Danish) servicemen's hair has also become shorter". May one point out that it is the *hair* which has become shorter; the *length* has become smaller.

Yours faithfully,
R. QUARENDON,
Wellswood,
Epsom,
Winchester.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 18: The Queen held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace this morning.

The Prince of Wales arrived at Buckingham Palace this morning.

His Royal Highness attended a National Economic Development Office Industrial Trucks Sector Working Party meeting in the Council Room, Millbank Tower.

The Prince of Wales, Colonel-In-Chief of the 2nd King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles (The Sirmoor Rifles) this afternoon received Colonel M. J. Smith upon relinquishing command of the 1st Battalion and Major B. C. Jackman upon his appointment as Commandant-designate of the 2nd Battalion.

His Royal Highness, Patron of the National Ski Federation of Great Britain, was present at a Royal Gala Evening at the Lakeside Country Club, Frimley Green, jointly organized by the National Ski Federation of Great Britain and the Combined Charities Committee in support of the pre-Olympic training of the British Ski Racing Teams.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Patron, and Captain Mark Phillips this evening attended the Horse of the Year Ball at the London Hilton.

Mrs Malcolm Innes was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 18: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, as Air Chief Commandant, unveiled a tapestry worked by the Women's Royal Air Force tocommemorate the sixtieth Anniversary of the Royal Air Force at the RAF Museum, Hendon, this afternoon.

Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, Nuffield Farming Scholarships, was present at the Management Council Meeting, Nuffield Lodge, London, thos afternoon.

Lieutenant Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE.
ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 18: The Duke of Kent, as President, today attended the Council Meeting of The Chest, Heart and Stroke Association.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance.

Birthdays today

Sir Colin Coote, 85; Sir Ronald Gorman, 73; Admiral of the Fleet Sir Michael Pollock, 62; Air Chief Marshal Sir Neville Stack, 59; Sir Kenneth Stoby, 75.

Christenings

The infant son of the Earl and Countess of Lichfield was christened Thomas William Robert Hugh on October 15 in Lichfield Cathedral by the Dean of Lichfield. The godparents are Earl Grosvenor (for whom Sir Geoffrey Shakerley stood proxy), the Hon Michael Pearson, Mr Quentin Crewe, Mr Nicholas Villiers, Mrs Alexander McEwen and Mrs Simon Elliot.

The infant daughter of Mr Thomas Hogan and Mrs Hogan (nee Goodman) was christened Lindsay Anne by Father Adrian Walker at All Saints' Church, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, on October 15, 1978. The godparents are Mr Philip Hogan (for whom his brother Mr Thomas Hogan stood proxy), Mrs Victor Harrington and Mr Ronald Firton.

Latest wills

Latest estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):

Batten, Mr Raymond Wallis, of Worthing £137,816
Brown, Mr Leslie Courtney, of Margate £183,264
Doggett, Mr Paul Godfrey, of Mayfield £289,755
Everett, Judge Richard Marven Hale, of Westminster .. £246,319
£302,277
Marsden, Mrs Gwervyl Emily, of Woking £151,652
Rose, Baron Theodore, of Ross-on-Wye, consulting surgeon

Inner Temple

Mr G. J. Shindler, QC, and Mr A. L. G. Stewart-Richardson have been elected Masters of the Bench of the Inner Temple.

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales visits radio, radar, and electronic capital goods manufacturers in Essex, Harlow, 9.35, and attends charity premiere of *Watership Down*, Empire Cinema, Leicester Square, 7.50.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester attend dinner given by Patten Makers' Company, Apothecaries Hall, Blackfriars, 7.10.

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, Patron of Girls' Public Day School Trust, opens Assembly Hall, Bath High School, 12.10.

The Duke of Kent, President of the Royal Institution, attends Davy bicentenary celebrations, Royal Institution, Albemarle Street, Piccadilly, 7.30.

The Duchess of Kent, at Patron, visits British Red Cross day centres, Milton Keynes and Aylesbury, 11.30.

Lectures: Europe and English art (6): Reynolds, Tate Gallery, 1. Pier Gallery collection, Tate Gallery, 6.15. Comparison and contrast: Rembrandt's "Belshazzar's Feast" / "The Woman taken in Adultery", National Gallery, 1.

Walk: Ghosts of the City, meet St Paul's station, 7.30.

Recitals: Organ, All Hallows-by-the-Tower, 12.15 and 1.15. Parnassus Trio, St Mary-le-Bow, 1.05. Delos String Quartet, St Olave's Hart Street, 1.05. Bach Cantata Series, St Mary-at-Hill, Eastcheap, 1.15.

Memorial service: Mr Bernard Alton, St Bride's, Fleet Street, noon.

25 years ago

From The Times of Monday, Oct 19, 1953

Mastery of Poland

By Our Special Correspondent

The tenth anniversary of the foundation in the Soviet Union in October, 1943, of the Polish people's army as a unit of the Red Army has been made the occasion of a great military demonstration throughout Poland. Marshal Rokoscovsky in an order of the day declared that the army was stronger than ever before and that Poland had never had such an army. Its battle preparedness was a source of national pride and a contribution to the strengthening of the whole camp of peace and socialism which, under the leadership of the Soviet Union, was effectively foiling the aggressive plans of the Imperialists. . . . The elaborate organization of the anniversary and the propaganda accompanying it are clearly for the purpose of impressing upon the Poles the growing strength of their armed forces under Rokossovsky in an effort to stimulate pride in their military tradition. It is intended both as a demonstration of force and to give the Poles a sense of security in view of German revisionist demands. Next to the Red Army the Poles have today the strongest, best organized, equipped and disciplined forces in eastern Europe. Their numbers, including army, navy and air force, which 18 months ago were estimated to be about 300,000, are thought to have reached the half million mark.



Lord Shinwell, who was 94 yesterday, working on what he calls his "biography and autobiography" at his home in St Johns Wood, London.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr W. J. Babtie and Miss P. A. Barry
The engagement is announced between William, son of Mrs P. M. Babtie and the late Lieutenant-Colonel J. W. A. Babtie, of Kenilworth, Cape Town, and Patricia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Barry, of Melrose, Johannesburg.

Mr R. K. FitzGerald and Miss P. L. Baxendale
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Frederick FitzGerald, of Wadhurst Castle, Wadhurst, Sussex, and Presley, daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Baxendale, of 32 Blackheath Park, London.

Mr A. R. J. Langton and Miss A. C. Benson
The engagement is announced between Andrew Robert James, son of Mr and Mrs John Langton, of Newlands, Headley, Bordon, Hampshire, and Anne Catherine, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Jeremy Benson, of Walpole House, Chiswick Mall, London.

Dr A. J. W. Millar and Miss S. M. Hennessy
The engagement is announced between Alastair, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. K. Millar, of Cape Town, South Africa, and Susan, third daughter of Mr J. P. J. Hennessy, CMG, OBE, and Mrs Hennessy, of the British Consulate General, Cape Town.

Mr M. Stancliffe and Miss S. Sanders
The engagement is announced between Martin, son of the Very Rev M. S. and Mrs Stancliffe of Winchester, and Sara, daughter of Dr and Mrs A. P. S. Sanders, of York.

Mr T. F. Cole and Miss J. A. Cattermole
The engagement is announced between Timothy, younger son of Mr and Mrs Frank Cole, of Beckenham, Kent, and Jacqueline, daughter of Mr Jack Cattermole and the late Mrs Carol Cattermole, of Hythe, Southampton.

Herr M. F. Furrer and Miss E. J. Clark
The engagement is announced between Marc, son of Herr Dr and Frau O. E. Furrer-Schmitz, of Helbelrainweg 3, Solothurn, Switzerland, and Liz, daughter of Mr and Mrs Keith Clark, of Flint Meadow, Little Hill, Heronsgate, Rickmansworth.

Mr J. W. I. Lockyer and Miss A. J. Peverill
The engagement is announced between James Lockyer, of Toronto, Ontario, son of Mr and Mrs M. W. Lockyer, of Rotherfield, Sussex, and Alison, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs A. J. Peverill, of Adstock, Buckinghamshire.

Mr C. C. Russell and Miss L. Errington
The engagement is announced between Christopher Corbet, only son of the late John Dennis Russell and Mrs Helen Russell, of East Grove, Lymington, Hampshire, and Leila, elder daughter of Major and Mrs C. J. R. Errington, of Davohouse, Fordoun, Kincardineshire.

Marriage

Lieutenant-Commander R. N. J. Wright, RN and Mrs C. Farquharson
The marriage has taken place between Lieutenant-Commander Richard Wright, son of Mrs Wright and the late Rear-Admiral Noel Wright, and Mrs Carol Farquharson, second daughter of the late Captain and Mrs Peter Josselyn, of Alverstoke.

Record price for artist who painted Arab scenes

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

A small painting, "Cairo—A street scene near the Bab el Luk" by John Frederick Lewis, dated 1855, was sold at Sotheby's yesterday for £44,000 (estimate £15,000 to £20,000), an auction record for the artist's work. Although Lewis was an accomplished artist and is now one of the most costly of all British nineteenth-century painters, the appeal of his work is its subject matter. He lived for many years in Cairo and painted scenes of Arab life. The price reflects the spending power of the Middle East.

The other big price in Sotheby's sale of mainly nineteenth-century paintings was a reflection of the same phenomenon. A painting by Rudolph Ernst entitled "The Flower seller" depicting an Arab merchant proffering his wares at a tiled Islamic doorway, made £18,000 (estimate £6,000 to £8,000).

Otherwise the sale did not reflect the sharp increase in prices recorded for nineteenth-century painting in New York last week, perhaps because the overall standard of the paintings was much lower. "Berbers on the march" by Alberto Pasini, again an Arab subject, made £5,000 (estimate £6,000 to £8,000). "A view of a southern Italian port" by Franz Richard Unterberger, made £5,500 (estimate £3,000 to £4,000). The sale totalled £343,635, with 10 per cent unsold.

A sharp rise in prices for nineteenth-century Japanese cloisonné was the outstanding feature of a sale of Japanese works of art and ceramics at Sotheby's Belgravia. A large (80 cm diameter) mid-nineteenth-century dish in Chinese style, with a circular central panel of carp and a wide border of lotus flowers and carp, made £2,000 (estimate £700 to £1,000) to Tempus. A 15.3 cm vase with ovoid body and narrow neck dating from about 1900 and decorated with dove-grey ground panels of flowers and butterflies made £620 (estimate £200 to £250).

Cloisonné enamel pieces usually have floral decoration in rich colours; although not uncommon, they are very decorative. The sudden increase in prices yesterday appeared to result from a new buying interest from the United States. It was particularly concentrated on pieces in good condition with makers' marks, but lesser pieces also brought more. The first of the two days devoted to Japanese works of art made £72,398, with 2 per cent unsold. The top price of £8,200 (estimate £3,000 to £4,000) was paid for an inlaid metal box of about 1900.

An auction record price for a nineteenth-century porcelain pot lid of £2,600 was paid at Phillips sale at Marylebone. The piece was a rarity, only one other copy is believed to exist. It is an exhibition lid. "Our Home", of the type without verse or title, with a gold-banded border. The reverse is marked with the Pratt and Prince Albert stamp.

Glendining's two-day coin sale finished yesterday, having totalled £96,216, with 1 per cent unsold. Graham paid £1,800 (estimate £1,200) for a United States gold $50 piece of 1852.

Sotheby's wine sale made £69,712, with 10 per cent unsold and Christie's modern gun sale £148,171, with 13 per cent unsold.

Luncheons

British Council
Sir John Llewellyn, Director-General of the British Council, was host at a luncheon held at 10 Spring Gardens yesterday in honour of Herr Klaus von Bismarck, President of the Goethe Institute.

West Africa Committee
The West Africa Committee gave a luncheon in honour of the Acting High Commissioner for Nigeria at the Travellers Club yesterday. Mr E. C. Judd, chairman, presided.

Company of Watermen and Lightermen
The court of the Company of Watermen and Lightermen of the River Thames gave a luncheon at Watermen's Hall yesterday. The Master, Brigadier John Constant, presided. Others present included: The Senior Warden, the Junior Wardens, Mr A. C. Tooke, Mr J. S. Allan and Mr R. A. Crockett.

Receptions

To Sir Robert Mayer
The Earl and Countess of Shaftesbury and Sir Jack and Lady Lyons were hosts at a reception held yesterday evening for the presentation to Sir Robert Mayer of a specially commissioned work by Mr David Maude-Roxby-Montalto. The presentation took place at the artist's diamond stipple glass exhibition at Algernon Asprey, 27 Bruton Street, London, W.1. Among those present were: Viscount Eccles, the Lord Chamberlain and Lady Maclean, Lord and Lady Carrington, Lord and Lady Bernstein, Lord and Lady Carr of Hadley, Mr Edward Heath, MP, Mr and Mrs Gordon Richardson, Sir Robert and Lady Armstrong, Lady Solti, Sir Clifford Curzon, Mr and Mrs Stephen Cochrane, Sir Anthony and Lady Burney, Mr Michael Kaye, Mr and Mrs David Maude-Roxby-Montalto, Mr and Mrs David Josefowitz, Mr and Mrs W. Govett, Mrs Bella Wingate, Mr and Mrs Al Swaidi, Mr and Mrs Jonathon Lyons and Mr and Mrs John Bieber.

British Antique Dealers' Association
Prince and Princess Michael of Kent were present at a reception yesterday at Goldsmith's Hall at which Mr Andrew Hill, president, was host. It was held to mark the diamond jubilee of the British Antique Dealers' Association. A lecture was delivered by Mr Alec Clifton-Taylor on "The Fabric of the Georgian House".

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr G. R. A. Darling, QC, to be Lloyd's appeal arbitrator in connexion with their form of salvage agreement, in succession to Mr Justice Sheen.

Dinners

Canning House
Lord Chalfont, President of the Hispanic and Luso Brazilian Council, and Lady Chalfont gave a dinner at Canning House, Belgrave Square, last night in honour of Señor Enrique Torres Torrija, special adviser to the Director General of the Government of the State of Mexico, and Señora Torres. The other guests were: Viscount and Viscountess Montgomery of Alamein, Mr and Mrs C. Peter Ford, Mr and Mrs R. G. Fuller and Mr and Mrs H. McKenzie Johnston.

Lord Bowden gave a dinner in the House of Lords last night in honour of International Computers Limited's Ten Years of Achievement 1968-1978. Those present were:
Lord Avebury, Dr P. D. Aylett, Mr H. Benton, Lord Boswick, Mr E. B. Ribby, Mr A. W. Bunch, Mr E. P. Chappell, Mr L. G. Cole, Mr D. H. Cook, Mr Frank Cox, Mr R. F. Davies, Mr H. G. DeVille, Mr N. P. D. Eadie, Mr J. S. Ellerbrock, Mr I. England, Mr G. J. Glendinning, Mr A. J. Hadaway, Mr B. D. Hadley, Mr P. D. Hall, Mr J. R. Headin, Sir John Horbocq, Mr G. Herron, Mr G. D. G. Hicks, Sir John Hill, Sir Jasper Hollom, Mr D. J. Hopkins, Mr R. Hornstein, Mr R. V. Hosburt, Mr T. C. Hudson, Lord Kearton, Mr J. K. Leasey, Mr D. L. Marwood, Mr R. G. Martin, Mr J. Mayland, Mr C. J. C. McOustra, Mr R. Minne, Mr G. I. Morris, Mr P. H. Morrish, Mr B. M. Murphy, Sir Leslie Murphy, Mr P. W. Murphy, Mr David Price, MP, Mr G. Rodgers, Mr J. Roure, Mr R. Sanderson, Mr R. E. Selby, Mr R. Sollett, Mr P. E. Singsley, Mr C. M. Stuart, Drs E. H. L. Ter Meulen, Mr Van T'Hull, Sir Charles Villiers, and Dr G. M. Wilson.

Royal College of Physicians
The Harveian Oration was given yesterday by Sir John Richardson. Afterwards the President of the Royal College of Physicians, Sir Douglas Black, and fellows entertained the following guests at dinner:
The Duke of Northumberland, Lord Donaldson, Mr David Ennals, MP, Mr Roland Moyle, MP, Mr Patrick Jenkin, MP, Sir Robert Williams, Dame Rosemary Murray, Dame Josephine Barnes, Sir Alec Merrison, Sir John Brotherston, Sir Patrick Nairne, Sir Oswald Peterkin, Sir Francis Avery Jones, Mr Reginald Murley, Dr E. V. Kuenssberg, Professor R. E. Steiner, Mr A. M. Mason, Professor James Gowans, Dr J. T. Hayes, Dr E. Grey-Turner, Mr E. B. H. Bowring, Professor Desmond A. Pond, Dr C. Vaughan, Dr A. C. Cameron, Mr A. Goren, Miss Phyllis Friend, the Very Rev Alan Webster, Professor D. A. Ulitchison and Dr J. M. Roberts.

Army Board
The Army Board gave a dinner at the Royal Hospital Chelsea yesterday in honour of Lieutenant-General D. Dunstan, Chief of General Staff, Australia. Also present were:
Mr Robert Brown, MP, General Sir Roland Gibbs, General Sir Patrick Howard-Dobson, General Sir Hugh Beach, Mr J. H. Johnston, Sir Arthur Hockaday, General Sir Robert Ford, Mr M. J. Cook, Rear-Admiral A. J. Robertson, Brigadier G. Leary, Mr D. F. Curtis, Mr D. Cardwell, Major Sir Rennie Mandslay, Mr D. A. S. Huston, Air I. H. East, General Sir Antony Read, Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Worgles, Mr J. D. Spooner and Mr D. V. Palmer.

Burrup, Mathieson & Co Ltd
At a dinner in the Stationers' Hall last night to celebrate the 350th anniversary of Burrup, Mathieson & Co Ltd, Lord Barnetson (Chairman and Managing Director of United Newspapers Ltd: Chairman of Reuters Ltd and *The Observer*) was guest of honour. Mr A. B. Brooker, Chairman of Burrups, presided and proposed the toast to the guests to which the Bishop of Southwark, the Right Rev Mervyn Stockwood, replied.

Heythrop College
Lieutenant-Colonel L. de C. F. Robertson was the guest of honour at a dinner of the staff and fellows of Heythrop College, London University, held in college last night on the occasion of his retirement as assistant registrar. The Principal, Father John Mahoney, SJ, presided, and a presentation was made on behalf of the college by the secretary and registrar, Father James Colliston, SJ.

London Brokers
The London Regions of the British Insurance Brokers' Association (BIBA) held a dinner last night at Grosvenor House. Mr Patrick Neill, QC, Warden of All Souls College, Oxford, proposed the toast of the BIBA, to which Mr Francis Perkins, Chairman of BIBA, replied. Mr Peter Thorold and Sir Havelock Hudson, past Chairman of Lloyd's, respectively proposed and replied to the toast of the guests.

Clan Line Steamers Limited
A dinner was held yesterday evening at the Savoy Hotel to mark the centenary of the founding of the Clan Line Steamers Limited by the late Sir Charles Cayzer. Founder of the Clan Line, Sir Nicholas Cayzer, chairman, presided. The Earl of Inchcape proposed the toast to the company, to which the chairman replied. Mr B. G. S. Cayzer proposed the toast to the guests, to which Sir John Muir, director and lately chairman of James Finlay and Company Limited, replied. Among others present were:
The Hon M. A. R. Cayzer, Sir James Cayzer, Major H. Cayzer, Admiral Sir Charles Madden and other members of the Cayzer family; the Bishop of London, Lord Erskine of Rerrick, Sir Michael Herries and past and present members of the sea and shore staff of the company.

Company of Tobacco Pipe Makers and Tobacco Blenders
The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, attended the ladies' dinner of the Company of Tobacco Pipe Makers and Tobacco Blenders held at the Mansion House yesterday. The Master, Mr George H. Ross Goobey, presided and the other speakers were the Lord Mayor, Sir John Partridge, Sir John Pile and Mr D. R. W. Silk.

Painter-Stainers' Company
The Painter-Stainers' Company held their annual service at St James's Garlickhythe yesterday before common hall when Mr A. P. Arnold was elected Master, Mr A. F. Shannon, Upper Warden and Mr S. G. Mace, Renter Warden. The Master, accompanied by his Wardens, presided at the Feast of St Luke held at Painters' Hall later. The other speakers were Mr Alderman W. Allan Davis, the Dean of Westminster and Mr R. Harewood Williams.

Service dinner

Fifth Fusiliers
The annual dinner of the Fifth Fusiliers Dinner Club was held at the Park Lane Hotel last night. Brigadier Paul Ward presided.

Science report

Genetics: Women who should be men

By the Staff of Nature

An insight into how genes determine a person's sex has come from a study of the rare cases of women who have male sex chromosomes. The women suffer from a genetic defect that prevents the normal expression of their chromosomes.

Normally a man has XY sex chromosomes and a woman has XX. A mother gives an X chromosome to her child, and a father gives either an X or a Y chromosome; the child will be male or female depending on which it receives. Hence the father is responsible for the gender of his children.

In the absence of a Y chromosome, the genes in the X chromosomes guide the development of the immature gonad of the foetus into an ovary. The X chromosomes are also responsible for the growth of female sexual organs. However, when the Y chromosome is present, as in the male XY combination, it overrules the control by the X chromosome, and the immature gonad differentiates into testes. The Y chromosome then produces hormones that suppress the growth of female sexual organs and promote the growth of masculine genitalia. In a sense male development can be viewed as a perturbation of the natural development of the embryo into a mature female.

But a rare genetic abnormality exists in which a woman has male XY chromosomes. Such XY females appear to be normal at birth and throughout childhood. At puberty, the breasts may fail to develop and menstruation may not occur, but both conditions can be rectified by treatment with hormones. However, XY females are infertile because, probably before birth, their immature gonads did not develop into ovaries but instead into "streak gonads" that are unable to produce eggs.

The female characteristics of women with XY chromosomes are not caused by an abnormal Y chromosome, according to a team of doctors in America. They have studied a family containing four women with this genetic abnormality in which the familial connexions suggest that the condition is inherited. But three of the women had different fathers and that implies that the X chromosome is responsible.

The researchers argue that a mutant gene on the X chromosome must in some way prevent the expression of the genes for maleness on the Y chromosome. Furthermore, in normal people the Y chromosome cannot be solely responsible for male characteristics, as was previously thought, but some interaction between genes on the X and Y chromosomes must occur during normal sexual development. Otherwise an XY female could not occur if the Y chromosome was normal.

In addition, as XY females can be normal apart from their ovaries, the researchers conclude that a single X chromosome can guide the development of female sexual characteristics but that two are needed for proper maturation of the ovaries and full fertility.

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OBITUARY

MR FRANK WOOLLEY

A great Kent and England cricketer

Mr Frank Woolley, the Kent and England cricketer, who has died in Chester, Nova Scotia, at the age of 91, will always be remembered as one of the most graceful batsman of any age. Perhaps more than any other figure in the history of the game, with the possible exception of Ranjitsinji, he was idolized as a romantic batsman, the fascination of whose play lingered longer in the memory than the details of his competitive achievements. R. C. Robertson-Glasgow said of him: "When you bowled to him there weren't enough fielders; when you wrote about him there weren't enough words".



Not that the factual record of his career was unimpressive. On the contrary, he was second only to Hobbs with his aggregate of 58,969 runs; only a handful of batsmen have scored more centuries than his 145; he took over two thousand wickets, achieving the "Cricketer's Double" eight times (a feat which has only been surpassed on four occasions); and he is the only cricketer in the game's history to hold more catches than W. G. Grace.

One is tempted to reckon him one of the greatest all-rounders and one of the greatest left-handers of all time. But a reservation has to be made. Woolley was not a great Test batsman. His 3,283 Test runs have been more than doubled by Hutton, Bradman and Hammond respectively, and in each case for a considerably higher average. A distinguished contemporary was moved to remark that Woolley's Test record "did nothing like full justice to his skill in mastering all forms of attack on all types of wicket".

Another point to be remembered is that his first-class career—of 32 years—was an exceptionally long one. He was born on May 27, 1887, and first played for Kent in Whit Week, 1906, at Old Trafford, when J. T. Tyldesley unloosed his thunders against Woolley's immature bowling. (But Woolley was to make 64 on the last day.) He last turned out for Kent at the age of 51; and, while every credit must be given for the standard of physical fitness he maintained—and Woolley at any age was a striking figure—he would have unwonted opportunity for amassing his impressive aggregates with bat and ball.

Finally, full of years and *honour, he retired from first-*class cricket to devote his powers to coaching at King's School, Canterbury. He was before all things a Kentish man. He had served his county actively for hard on a third of a century. And it is characteristic—and what Woolley himself would have wished—that his garnered wisdom should be placed at the disposal of Kentish youth.

In what has come to be known as the Golden Age of Batsmanship, we are told that forward play predominated. Woolley belonged to a later epoch—that of Hobbs—which can perhaps be summed up in the dictum: "Play back, if can't drive." But in fact Woo had such an impressive re that in his case footwork f into relative unimportance

Like all left-handers he m a lot of runs between c point and third man and he ar all times a beautiful cu In the mood he was a murd of fast bowlers, particu when they resorted to bou at him. On such occasions beride a leg-side fields standing too close.

His greatest perform against Australia was in Test match at Lord's in when England, without Ho were short of good bats against a formidable Austra attack led by Gregory MacDonald, one of the fi pairs of fast bowlers. He sc 95 and 93—in their style gallantry two of the memorable Test innings have ever been played.

Considering how rap he caused the ball to sca across the boundary at points of the compass, it difficult to convey the ease grace of his methods. T were "strokes" indeed. It n seemed necessary for Woo to attack the ball.

A few of the grea cricketers are remembered i *variety of memorials.* Wool who gave so many of his d to the county that produ hops, is suitably immortali by an inn-sign at Meopham is to be hoped that motor hurrying northward to catch Gravesend ferry for many ye will spare a moment to pa beside the cricket-green contemplate Woolley's long distinguished career. He wa honorary life member of MCC and of Kent CCC.

His first wife Sibyl Fordha by whom he had a son and daughters, died in 1962 and married Miss Wilson Morse, of Scotia.

MR KENNETH ADAM



Mr Kenneth Adam, CBE, FRSA, who for 11 years (1957-68) was a prominent figure in British television, died on October 18 at the age of 70. Adam was not only one of the small band of journalists who rose high in broadcasting administration. He was a broadcaster himself and a skilled communicator. He was head of BBC Publicity from 1941 to 1950, and had been Press Officer of British Overseas Airways before that. After his retirement from the BBC, he lectured and held seminars in the United States on press and broadcasting generally. Adam was a popularizer rather than an educator, and laid no claim to original thinking. In journalism he had been a natural reporter, not a leader writer. Yet he could be vigorous and argumentative, getting his way by candour and charm.

Kenneth Adam was born on March 1, 1908, and went to St John's College, Cambridge, from Nottingham High School. He gained a first in history and was President of the Union. More importantly for his future, he was also President of the University Liberal Club. That led him to *The Manchester Guardian's* reporters' room at the age of 22. At once his gifts and inclinations turned his mind to broadcasting. (For a brief time he had thought of going on the stage.) Archie Harding, then the BBC's North Regional Programme Director, was eagerly recruiting new talent. Adam became a well-regarded freelance broadcaster. He found in the BBC a more congenial atmosphere than that of *The Manchester Guardian*, and joined it as Home News editor in 1934.

Tacking between his two worlds, Adam left the BBC for *The Star* two years later, and was a special correspondent for that paper until 1940. The war restricting journalistic opportunities, he turned to Public Relations, was appointed Press Officer of the British Overseas Airways Corporation, and in 1941 rejoined the BBC as head of Publicity. In the war years this work was relatively straightforward. The BBC's authority was unquestioned and its prestige high. Adam's tact came with the peacetime reorganization of the BBC, both of its programmes and of its administration, and the restarting of television. He met it with easy professionalism.

In 1950 Sir William Haley, then Director-General of the BBC, gave Adam's career its final direction by making him Controller of the Light Programme. He took up the post at the end of that year, and in the next four years he enhanced the Programme's entertainment appeal, enlarged its scope, improved its discussions, gave topicality to its talks, and widened the range of its music.

Early in 1955 it was announced that Adam had veered once again, and had accepted the post of a Joint General Manager of the Hulton Press. It was believed at the time that Adam was led to this move because he had become frustrated in his hope of a transfer to television. If so, he could not possibly have foreseen that he had opened the path to his goal. The two years he spent outside the BBC freed him to broadcast once again. He became a popular chairman of the ITV programme *Free Speech*. He made other appearances before the television cameras and at the radio microphone. In this w he kept himself in the picture

By 1957 BBC television h become disoriented. The Co troller of Programmes, Cec McGivern, a most brilliar scriptwriter and producer, h never been happy as an admi istrator, and had become u reliable and idiosyncrati Gerald Beadle, then Director BBC Television, decided tha Adam could be the man to re store internal stability and e ternal popularity. Adam be came Controller of Televisio Programmes in February 1957 Four years later he succeeded Beadle in charge of BBC televi sion as a whole. He held th post till 1968, when he reache retiring age. Those were stormy years for the BBC. It cannot be said that Adam put any distinc tive impress on television. He rode the storms, however, and while many deplored BBC Television's new standards, he saw these merely as making an equation with changing times and social habits.

Tall, handsome, vigorous, Adam was not a man to rusticate. On retirement he became Visiting Professor of Communi cations at Temple University Philadelphia. He wrote freely on broadcasting. In a series of very frank articles in *The Sun day Times* in March 1969 Adam gave some account not only of his stewardship of BBC Televi sion, but also of the interna strains in the corporation.

Adam's gift of public rela tions was put at the service of a wide range of organizations He had been a Governor of Charing Cross Hospital and of the British Film Institute; a the councils of the Nationa Youth Theatre, the Tavistock Institute, the British Travel As sociation, and Industrial Design He was made a CBE in 1962 and was a Fellow of the Roya Society of Arts.

Throughout his varied an busy life Adam drew strengt and understanding support fro Ruth, his wife, a writer of di tinction and purpose, whom h married in 1932. She died i 1977 and he is survived by thei three sons and a daughte Corinna Adam, the journalist.

DR EILEEN HENDRICKS

Dr Eileen Hendriks, the geologist, died on October 13. She was 90. An indefatigable worker on the complex rock sequence and structure of south-west England, she made what is probably the greatest single contribution to the understanding of the killas of South Cornwall.

Dr Hendriks was born in 1887. She was privately educated and became interested in geology at an early age. As a girl in Birmingham she attended public lectures by Charles Lapworth. At Easter 1901 she attended a Geologists' Association field excursion to *Start and Bolt Tail* led by W. A. E. Ussher, which may have stimulated her main work. She proceeded to the University College of Aberystwyth, was taught by O. T. Jones and graduated in 1919. She was appointed Assistant in Geology at The Queen's University of Belfast in 1920 but she resigned her post shortly after, mainly on the insistence of her mother to whom she was companion for the rest of her mother's life. She thus gave up all chance of a professional career and dedicated herself to geological research. She proceeded to the DIC in 1931 and the PhD in 1952 at Imperial College. She published on Welsh geology and Cornish physiography, but it was her discovery of *Dadoxylon* and other Devonian fossils in Roseland and Menage which proved that the South Cornish killas way not wholly Lower Palaeozoic in age, which led to a major paper published in 1937 and to a withdrawal and revision of the Geological Survey maps. Other contributions followed, the last published only seven years ago. She was awarded the William Bolitho Gold Medal in 1949 and received from the Geological Society of London the Lyell Fund in 1958 and the Worth Prize in 1965.

Eileen Hendriks was a person of great energy and tenacity, badgering Cornish boatmen to take her to inaccessible *cliffs and islands even in her* eighties. But she had great charm. In her younger days she was a good pianist. She was a skilled water colourist too, and even until recent years friends might receive from her a hand painted Christmas card. She seemed always accompanied by dogs, until her last years Alsatians.

A visitor recalls calling on her in Mullion some years ago to find some dozen pups escaped and gambolling over the shore, cliffs and cliff tops around the cove, taking hours to recapture. Her dedication to Cornish geology was, however, complete, and virtually alone until recent years she sought to unravel its problems and to cajole others into helping.

DR M. H. L. PIRENNE

Dr M. H. L. Pirenne died o October 11 at the age of 66.

Maurice Henri Leonard Pi enne was born in Verviers, Be gium, in 1912, and w educated at Liège Universit He graduated DrSc in Chem cal Physics in 1937, and spe the next year doing researc in Molecular Physics under Pr fessor Debye in Berlin.

The following three years spent in research on the bi physics of vision at Columb University in the laboratory Professor Selig Hecht. Hec had a profound influence o Pirenne's outlook, and the wor which they did together forme the basis for much of his fu ure research. The discover that the uncertainty of seeing low intensities was largely th *inevitable result of the qua* tum nature of light, rather tha of the biological instability the eye, was a fundamental a vance of the greatest impo tance.

After joining the Belgia forces in Canada, Pirenne cam to England in 1941, and co tinued his research in vision Cambridge and London. 1948 he was appointed Senio Lecturer in Physiology Aberdeen University. In 195 he joined the University La oratory of Physiology, Oxfor and was elected to a fello ship of Iffley College, no Wolfson College, in 1965. H short textbook *Vision and th Eye*, first published in 194 remains a standard introductio to the subject. His lifelon interest in painting was refle ted in *Painting Optics an Photography* (1970), a penetra ing analysis of the perceptio of three-dimensional scenes an of their two-dimensional repre sentation. In 1972, he was elec ted a Foreign Member of th Royal Belgian Academy o Sciences.

In 1947, he married Katherin Alice Mary Clutton.

Ivan Le

Ivan Le, a former miner who became one of the founders of Ukrainian Soviet literature, has died in Kiev at the age of 83. He wrote more than 50 books and was awarded the Taras Shevchenko State Prize of the Ukraine for his novel *Khmelnitsky*.

Pavel G. Antokolsky

Pavel G. Antokolsky, the Russian poet who was well known for his Second World War patriotic verse, has died at the age of 81. In 1946 he was awarded a Stalin Prize for his long poem "Son", devoted to his own son who died on the Eastern Front.

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NEW BOOKS

...cts of witness

Thirties and After
...y, politics, people (1933-...)
...tephen Spender
...millan, £7.95; Fontana, ...)

...wood saw young "Stephen ...e" making his entrance ...the thirties like this: "he ... in upon us, blushing, ...ring loudly, contriving to ...over the edge of the car... ...an immensely tall shamb... ...boy with a great scarlet ...y-face, wild frizzy hair and ...the violent colour of blue-... His beautiful resonant ... would carry to the ...est corners of the largest ...mrant the most intimate ...ls of his private life". ...*s and Shadows*, 1938). It ...tephen Spender of course, ...armooned rather than photo-...hed by Issyvoo's camera, ...kind of latter-day Shelley ...*duced with a certain* ...tionate malice. Already it ...sy to see how Spender's ...e was going to be en...ed in the myth of the ...ies' poets: the beloved dis... who hand-printed W. H. ...n's first poems; the naïve ...rist *who hymned the pro*...sive machinery of steam...nes, aeroplanes, and those ...bus "Pylons" ("bare like ...h giant girls that have no ...et"); the left-wing per...lity who toured Spain in a ...-Royce proclaiming culture ...is Republican *soldiers with* ...ré Malraux; the innocent ...logue who joined the Com...ist Party—for about a fort...t; the anxious patriot who ...ed Cyril Connolly edit ...*izon* when it looked like ...ing time in the gardens of *West, and then joined the* ...onal Fire Service; the tall, ...meaning Idealist who never ...ped quite low enough to ...p the facts of the case.

...ch is the strength of this ...inal thirties myth, that ...pite the subsequent studies Julian Symons (1960), and ...mel Hynes (*The Auden ...eration*, 1976) I would ...ard the guess that most ...ple still think of Spender's ...k and literary personality ...en within his frame. Yet it ...holly inadequate.

...o start with, Spender was ...y just 30 at the outbreak of ... Second War. Perhaps the ...t really decisive and charac...istic moment of his career ...e when he did not sail off ...o the sunset with Auden and ...erwood in 1939. His best ...g most substantial work ...gan to be published from ...0 onwards. Moreover, while ...always retained the distinc... sensibility of a poet (a ...ural lyricism that may be linked with his half-German ancestry, and his fine translations of Rilke and Schiller), most of this work was to be written in prose. I would name his wartime *September Journal* (*Horizon*, 1940); his *European Witness* (1946); *World within World* (1951) one of the really candid and moving accounts of the *thirties*, with his own childhood "like wheels within wheels of this book, which begins, and revolves around, and ends with it"; and apart from much material written as an editor of *Encounter*, and as Professor of Poetry at University College London (1968-73), the fascinating analysis of the student uprisings in France, America and Czechoslovakia, crucial stages of which Spender witnessed and recorded in *The Year of the Young Rebels* (1969). All this prose has a common quality, something more usually found in the French rather than the English intellectuals of the period. It combines political reportage, travel-writing, or ideological discussion, with the most vivid autobiography. It manages to be both consistently serious, and consistently gossipy and intimate. It sees public events, and especially crises, in an unfailingly private way. It is the best possible kind of *témoinage*.

The importance of *The Thirties and After* lies in the continuity the book establishes, over four decades of this long act of witness. By reprinting and linking with commentary certain isolated documents from his newspaper cuttings, his journals, his essays and his *forgotten books*, Spender deliberately draws attention to the events and personalities that challenged and changed his political and literary views. He writes in a central passage:

With a few exceptions the writers associated with the thirties tried after 1939 to break with their political connexions. This was particularly true of Auden who edited out of his work what might be termed the Thirties Connexion. . . . (But) I myself am, it is only too clear, an autobiographer. Autobiography provides the line of continuity in my work. I am not someone who can shed or disclaim his past. This is not merely an admission. It is something I have here tried to emphasize in presenting these records as a case history. . . . the ideological has been a trap into which I have too often fallen, and from which I have only saved myself by going back to my personal as distinct from my public life.

I have to admit that this case history, this confession, is probably too fragmented for someone coming fresh to Spender's work. It does not, on its own, draw a coherent picture. But used as a guide-book back into his past writing, as a piece of signposting and often very courageous local mapping of the terrain, it is indispensable. One may pick out from the first section, "socialist" reviews of D. H. Lawrence and W. B. Yeats, and the article "I Join the Communist Party" (*Daily Worker*, 1937). In the second section (forties), after an amusing account of the Connolly circle at *Horizon*, and a reprint of the *September Journal*, there is a terrifying *sketch of "the* student Aulach", a young nihilist Spender met in Cologne in 1945. This strikes a note that resonates right up to the Baader-Meinhof world of the early seventies — a typical example of Spender's percipiency. The third section, which covers his time at *Encounter*, is perhaps the thinnest, though there is a provocative portrait of Sartre, Merleau Ponty, Karl Barth and other European intellectuals making a conference tour of Italy in 1956. It is interesting to compare this to the International Writers' Congress in Spain in 1937. *Plus ça change*.

The fourth and final section (sixties and seventies), contains memorial essays and poems on Eliot, MacNeice, Auden and Connolly. But above all there is a beautifully revealing picture of Spender reading poetry on the American University circuit. The climax is a line-by-line account of his private sensations while publically reciting "The Express" to a packed and earnest young audience:

After the first powerful plain manifesto
The black statement of pistons, without more fuss
But gliding like a queen, she leaves the station . . .

For a moment we see "Stephen Savage" through Spender's own eyes. What appears finally is his sense of the human comedy, the irony of history; and it is this that makes him such an ideal witness to both the aspirations, and the absurdities, of his generation. To the line, "*. . . gathering speed, she* acquires mystery", Spender throws us the swift and wry reflection: "Karl Shapiro wrote an essay somewhere saying that 'The Express' is about a communist revolution, and I have quite forgotten whether I thought this at the time. Quite recently a girl with a mosquito voice got up and asked whether it was about a girl losing her virginity."

Richard Holmes



From the fifth annual *European Illustration* '78 '79, Ralph Steadman's illustration to "Emergency Mouse" by Bernard Stone. Steadman's intention is "to illustrate a book that will *sell millions as part of a plan to take over the world*". With 11 entries to his name, he is well on the way. (£18.50 from European Illustration, Nash House, 12 Carlton House Terrace, SW1.)

Guilt-free iconoclast

Prick Up Your Ears
The Biography of Joe Orton
By John Lahr
(Allen Lane, £5.95)

The homosexual writers who have been taken to the hearts of the straight world nearly all belong, one way or another, to the oh-the-tragedy-of-it-all classes; Joe Orton always seemed to be the exception, the guilt-free iconoclast who cheerily cocked a snook at the world of the norm. But the manner of his death, like that of Pasolini's, let the patronisers in, and now John Lahr's exhaustively, exhaustingly detailed biography provides chapter and verse.

Orton came of picturesquely working-class origins (for a while a virtual *sine qua non* of the new dramatist), was born in 1933 and so hit the big time at the age of 31. Before becoming a luminary of *the West End theatre he had* done various odd jobs and, even more newsworthy, had been sentenced to six months in jail for defacing library books (in a spirit of wholesome and totally justified criticism, he maintained). While at RADA Orton had met another young would-be actor called Kenneth Halliwell, had embarked on an affair with him which, though not by any means sexually exclusive, was obsessive and lasted up to their deaths, and had set up house, of a sort, with Halliwell and largely on Halliwell's money. There was not much money, and it was not much of a house, really: more of a bed-sitningroom, in Islington, not the smart part.

Such details of an author's *life may indeed throw some* light on why he wrote as he wrote. But first of all it has to be established that the work itself is interesting enough to inspire this kind of gossipy background curiosity, and at the same time that it is self-sufficient enough not to need it. *Entertaining Mr Sloane* certainly fulfilled such requirements. It was original, inventive, not quite like anything else being written at the time. It was also shocking enough, but not too shocking: Orton had found the perfect means of making palatable the iconoclasm which had so incensed a magistrate when applied to library books a couple of years earlier. Surrealistic juxtapositions, unblinking reversals of the audience's expectations, the sheer gall of presenting in the commercial theatre a play which is (as Orton himself shrewdly pointed out trying to account for its lack of success in New York) based on the proposition that the most sensible, right-minded person in sight is a middle-aged male homosexual with no hint of effeminancy who naturally gets what he wants because he is the cleverest and the strongest.

Despite a half-hearted attempt to add an apocryphal chapter to his life story in which he was "married and divorced", Orton does not seem in fact to have made much bones about his interests. Just about everyone *who knew him knew Halliwell* too. But as he became more famous, more successful, Halliwell, from being the provider and emotionally dominant partner, slipped more and more into the background, and became more and more difficult to deal with, trying to claim an important part in the writing of Orton's plays (his role as editor does seem to have been significant) and usurping the author's prerogatives at rehearsals until in a *couple of instances he had to* be rudely barred from the theatre.

Mr Lahr keeps insisting throughout his book that Orton (whom, perhaps fortunately, he seems never to have met) was a nice, charming, lovable character. Friends and acquaintances are often quoted to the same effect, though it must be said they come up with precious little in the way of anecdote and observation to sustain it. But in his treatment of the impossible Halliwell Orton *does seem to have* been a model of understanding and forbearance. In a curious way the book emerges finally as being more about Halliwell than about Orton.

An interesting story, then—morbidly interesting, perhaps—and rather well told by Mr Lahr. But surely at excessive length? Do we really need all those lengthy quotes from Orton's rather monotonous diary? Or the blow-by-blow account of the first abortive production of *Loot*? Is Orton finally an important enough writer to rate quite so much detail? That last in particular is something Mr Lahr could very well tell us: he is an excellent drama critic and could certainly, if he would, illuminate Orton's work for us. But he seems to have entered into his subject to such an extent that he has inherited Orton's frequent paranoia. Virtually every word ever uttered against Orton or his work is seen as a sign of conspiracy or unutterable obtuseness. Maybe this is so, but it would be good to have Mr Lahr argue the point, instead of taking it as read. Which at least, is what his book certainly will be.

John Russell Taylor

Single hearted

Longford
A biographical portrait
By Mary Craig
(Hodder & Stoughton, £5.95)

One often hears it plaintively said that there are no characters nowadays. The trouble, I always reply, is that we are the characters now. Whether or not this is true of George Best, Malcolm Muggeridge, Kerry Packer, Bob Boothby, Harold Wilson, or Mohammed Ali may be open to doubt, though I do not *myself think so. But surely no* one can deny the title to Frank Longford? Of all the human beings now alive he is surely one of the strangest, and to dissect the various strands in his personality is one of the hardest tasks a biographer could undertake.

To know Frank and not to love him is to show that there is something seriously wrong with one's heart. To know him and to agree with him in all his extravagances would equally indicate something rather *wrong with one's head*. But that is not the end of the paradox. To listen to him and not to laugh with him is to be indifferent to a sharp and often devastating wit. To observe him and not sometimes to laugh at him is to *display a total inability to* recognize the ridiculous. He has the true aristocrat's absolute indifference to public opinion. Or rather he is not indifferent to it. He despises it. He has a first-class intellect, is well aware of the fact and is *well able to use it. He is* an adept at political intrigue, and has a very clear eye to the main chance. He can be ruthless to the point of want of scruple, and, if you are playing a game against Frank whether it be of politics or tennis, you will need to remember at every move or stroke that you are in the presence of a past master in the art of lifemanship played with the utmost cunning and determination. With all this, he is one of the kindest and most generous hearted men I have ever known. His concern for the outcasts of society is perfectly genuine, and even when one is most exasperated at the impracticality of some of his demands or the apparent irresponsibility of *some of his behaviour, one is* glad from the bottom of one's heart that there exists in the world a man so singlehearted that he is prepared to espouse such hopeless causes. It is not the strongest cases that stand in need of the fearless advocates. The one quality he lacks is moderation in anything. This profoundly Christian member of that historic company of gifted eccentrics the Villiers connexion from which he descends on his mother's side, would not have been at all at home in the shrine of Apollo at Delphi. The god's two rules of "nothing in excess" and "know thyself" are things which Frank neither understands nor seeks to practise.

One cannot think of Frank without thinking also of Elizabeth. The benevolence of the Deity which created Frank is amply proven by the fact that, out of 10 million odd females and British souls of approximately the right age, a kind of miracle provided him with exactly the right partner, probably the only woman who could ever have put up with him, appreciated his qualities, supported his achievements, borne his children, and yet remained herself a personality in her own right, a better writer, with stunning good looks, infinite stamina, and superlatively rich, in spite of her politics, in the common sense Frank so noticeably lacks.

Mary Craig's book makes certain mistakes of fact. Frank's peerage, Baron Pakenham of Cowley, granted in 1945, was not a life peerage. Such peerages, apart from the Law Lords, did not exist before 1958, and since an argument is founded on the point on another page, this is not unimportant. There are no cherry trees in Tom Quad, and since this forms the basis of an anecdote, doubt must be cast not only on this but on other typical Pakenham stories with which the book is commendably filled. Mary Craig is not fully alive to the fact that Frank's friends are amongst the most mendacious in the world, and Frank attracts stories almost as numerous and apocryphal as those now attached to Winston Churchill. Ministers do not go about in "ministerial Rollses", and Lord Salisbury was not the Opposition leader of the House of Lords during the Wilson government of 1964-1970. "Extremes of wealth and poverty" do not meet in the rather sleasy surroundings of St Anne's, Soho, and Frank's present appearances in the House of Lords, although not infrequent, are not I would think so regular as to deserve the description "almost daily".

Rather more seriously, Mary Craig has got hopelessly mixed up, about the case of Mrs Erin Pizzey, the champion of battered wives. One really must not confuse the political and appellate functions and sittings of the House of Lords. They are entirely separate. The House of Lords sitting as a political body had no power to "help Mrs Pizzey", and sitting as an appellate tribunal they were deciding the *meaning of* legislation approved by Parliament and not passing judgment on Mrs Pizzey's conduct. Incidentally the only speech about Mrs Pizzey of Frank's that I can trace in Hansard was months after the decision on the appeal and was essentially a plea to the Government for material support.

The real paradox of Frank lies in his strange changes of loyalty. He was born a Protestant of the pale with scarcely one drop of native Irish blood, a Conservative and Unionist in a fairly conventional aristocratic family, not much more, but not much less, distinguished if a little older, than, say, the Mitfords. He ends up a Socialist, a Roman Catholic, an Irish Nationalist, a puritanical enemy of pornography, a fanatical advocate of prison reform, the advocate of parole for Myra Hindley, a teacher of politics, rather a successful business man in the field of banking and publishing and withal a perfect genius at attracting publicity. That he holds and practises all his beliefs and activities simultaneously and sincerely, if somewhat dogmatically and extravagantly, no one who knows him could conceivably doubt. But what is the explanation of these apparently extraordinary changes of front in so many different fields? It is surely not enough with Mary Craig, reflecting, I think, the views of the late Father D'Arcy, to say that it is simply his strong faith in Catholic Christianity, which does the trick in Frank's case. There must be some psychological influence at work driving him to espouse with the utmost ferocity causes which he must at least subconsciously expect to be the least acceptable to the public opinion with which he is most likely to be confronted.

But, after all, this book is more a portrait than a biography and certainly not an experiment in analytical psychology. As a portrait it is entirely recognizable, and for *its general veracity I would* myself be prepared to vouch. It is a carefully and I think affectionately drawn picture of a remarkable human being, frequently perverse, often brilliant, sometimes right and in advance of popular opinion, but in all his moods easy to love and hated only by those who either do not know him or who do not appreciate courage and integrity when they see them. But it is a pity that the Garter is only worn on one leg. Otherwise he might at least be able to keep his socks up.

Lord Hailsham

Fiction

...: Cutting Edge
Penelope Gilliatt
...cker & Warburg, £3.95)
...e World According to Garp
...John Irving
...ollancz, £5.95)

...pair of brothers named ...regrine and Benedict start ...rrying considerable weights, ...at any rate wearing defen... ...e blinkers, in the grand han...cap of life. In Penelope Gil...t's first novel for 11 years ...y grow in platonic union to ... pretty well two halves of ...e same person, and end up ...anging their appearances to ...k more like each other.

There are other ambiguities ...out them, as there are in ...at chief of ambages, fam... life. Although spiritually inseparable, the brothers spend ...ast of their lives a continent ...art, communicating fitfully by ...yptic letters, which they carry ...talismans. Although home... lovers of England, they ...e professional expatriates, ...sitive, neurotic, too clever ...half. Benedict, the younger ...t gentler, lives in a house ...erlooking the Bosporus ...ere he scratches a living by ...aying the harpsichord, hero...orships his brother, and pines ...iltily for his wife who has ...ft him. Peregrine, who has a ...ft heart with a cutting edge, ...an angry poet and journalist ...ho fires volleys of home ...oughts from abroad in the ...rm of "I hate you, Eng...nd" articles, and is perse...uted in revenge by the pop...lar press.

You will gather that they ...e not the sort of lads you ...eet every day in the lounge ...r of the local, even in Hamp...stead, though they are more ...ommon in the upper reaches of fiction. The talk is sparkling, but would be exhausting in real life. People keep dropping epigrams plonkingly into the conversation like "language is the cracked drum on which we beat our tunes for bears to dance to, when all the time we are longing to move the stars to pity". There is no answer to that.

It is the sort of book that is erroneously described by its dust jacket as deceptively simple. Eventually the ex-wife ends up with both brothers, not sure which one she loves, and which she is angry with. Perhaps both, in both cases, as is the way of things. Like the brothers it is a sensitive, neurotic, clever book that hooks the attention. Much of what goes on is far removed from everyday life in England 1978, at least as seen from the Central Line. But Penelope Gilliatt creates some funny episodes and memorably dotty characters with a few words. She is an intelligent miniaturist of intellectual man and woman in the maze of life, where truth is as elusive as quicksilver. In flashes of perception she grabs something that reads like truth.

The World According to Garp is a comic, violent, ugly, bizarre, pretentious, whimsical, neurotic place; somewhat like the real thing, at that. Garp's mother, one of life's lone yachtswomen, wants a baby but is not willing to share her body or her life with anyone. She is a rich young American nurse in 1942, and contrives to found the archetypal one-parent family with the help of a dying American airman, whose brain is shattered but whose other parts are in working order. Mother eventually writes a best-selling book that becomes a gospel of the feminist movement, while she becomes its grand old evangelist-person. Son writes fiction full of violence, sex, loneliness, farce, and guilt. Extracts from them and reviews of them pepper the book. One review goes "a serious writer whose tendencies towards baroque exaggeration have run amuck". Quite so.

This *precis of the start of* the plot may not sound unduly promising. Novels about the loneliness of the long-distance novelist seldom work. But *Garp* is an interesting, crazy book full of meat about everything from the anxieties of parenthood and authorship to that vexed ancient and modern question, coexistence between the sexes.

Garp is a wrestler as well as an author and a worrier. But life is a mincing-machine. Not since *Titus Andronicus* has the scene been so littered with farcical death, blood, and mutilation. You can see why the man is nervous. Women cut out their tongues in vicarious outrage at rape, of which there is plenty; eyes are poked out; arms are lost; people change sex or eviscerate each other; genitalia are bitten off. That old toad, death, haunts the book. These New Englanders lead pretty complicated lives. But this book is an extraordinary dispatch about the untidy business of living, in which we are all terminal cases, though mercifully most of us manage it more quietly.

Galatea, by Philip Pullman (Gollancz, £5.75). Transexuals here, too, though they are among the more conventional characters in a cast that includes androgynous angels, more zombies than a conjuror would care to shake a wand at, and a whimsical werewolf. This episodic tale of a quest for a lost wife leads to a Perfect City in the inaccessible mountains of South America, which turns out to be as imperfect as all human attempts at such creations. It is a mystic parable about different levels of reality; but the meaning remains misty.

Philip Howard

Rise to eminence

The Byrons and Trevanions
By A. L. Rowse
(Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £8.50)

This book was well worth *writing: that it has been writ*ten by Dr A. L. Rowse ensures that it will be well worth reading. Even today Cornwall and Lancashire are remote from each other, psychologically and physically; four hundred years ago it must have seemed impossible that they should ever meet and merge. But they did, in the persons of two remarkable families, the Byrons of Rochdale (and later of New*stead) and the Trevanions of* Caerhays.

Both families rose to eminence, first in their counties and then at court, in the days of Queen Elizabeth I. A Byron was an agent of the great Cecil; a Trevanion lady nursed the infant who was later King Charles I. Naturally enough both families were loyal during the Great Rebellion. Sir John Byron, fifth head of the family at Newstead, was ennobled as the first Lord Byron in 1643. John Trevanion was gentleman usher to the future King James II, and was killed at the battle of Sole Bay. His brother Richard, also a sailor, accompanied James to France after his dethronement and remained with him until the king's death in 1701.

Both families nevertheless maintained their royal connections under the succeeding dynasty. A Richard Byron commanded King William III's personal yacht, and the fourth Lord Byron was gentleman of the bedchamber to Prince George of Denmark, Queen Anne's consort. John Trevanion, another sailor, was knighted by King George I. During the next century Byrons and Trevanions became ever closer. The fourth peer, William, and John Trevanion head of the Caerhays family, married two sisters, daughters of Lork Berkeley of Stratton. The fifth lord, William's son, known as the "*Wicked Lord*", had a son and a grandson, both of whom predeceased him. The title should therefore have passed to his brother John, a distinguished admiral, known as Foulweather Jack, who married his cousin, Sophia Trevanion. But he was already dead, and his eldest son, too, and so it came about that John's grandson, George Gordon, became the sixth Lord Byron, at the age of ten.

In any book with "Byron" on its cover, the first question is what does it tell us about the poet? In this case the answer is a great deal. And it illuminates two hitherto rather puzzling aspects of that febrile character. Byron's pride in his ancestry has often seemed exaggerated, largely because his father was an exiled rip and his mother tiresome and undistinguished: it has made Byron appear a snob. Dr Rowse makes it clear that on the contrary the Byrons had done the state much service for *more than two centuries and* had been employed at successive courts. (Was that why Byron himself despised kings?) Secondly, how was it that Byron as a youth had the immediate entrée into the upper ranks of London society? Was it all done by charm? Much of it was, but his Trevanion grandmother had been the admired Mrs Byron, the intimate friend of Dr Johnson and his circle, which included Mrs Thrale and Mrs Montagu and Fanny Burney, *before her death at Bath in* 1791. It was easy for a grandson to follow in so phosphorescent a wake, even without his own noble "stemma".

Dr Rowse also underlines the strong naval strain in the Byron-Trevanion inheritance which must have contributed to Byron's dominating love of seafaring and the sea. Finally his analysis of the influence of John and Sophia's "genes" on Byron, his half-sister and her husband, all three of them their grandchildren, is one of the most valuable facets of this scintillating book. The only valid criticism of it is that it lacks any genealogical tables to help its comprehension by readers not already familiar with the tangled tale.

Stewart Perowne

Most gifted failure

Boothby
Recollections of a Rebel
By Lord Boothby
(Hutchinson, £6.95)

To the end of his days, until his ashes are thrown to what stock of his beloved herrings *remain in the North Sea* from the lighthouse at Rattray Head, Bob Boothby will be reckoned the most gifted failure in politics of his generation. Born in 1900 into a family that assured him useful connexions, he left Eton and Oxford in time to *train in the disbanding Guards*, and then found himself MP for East Aberdeenshire in 1924. He entered the Commons young with a robust and independent mind, a mighty physique, one of the most beautiful speaking voices politics has *known, a pretty wit, an excel*lent appetite and thirst, and a knack for making friends with great men like Lloyd George and Winston Churchill, the two British giants of the century. Yet, after more than a half century in the Commons and Lords, his achievement has been negligible.

For alphabetic reasons the first of Herold Macmillan's newfangled life peers in 1958, Baron Boothby of Buchan and Rattray Head (the honour he paid to his old faithful constituency) *does not wholly accept* the charge; at any rate, he argues that his disappointed promise was less than total. Yet he knows what his friends and critics alike mean. Smaller men made it, even when they had less opportunity and fewer gifts, and he did not. On minor matters and great he proved too free a thinker to be comfortable within the party system; and he always, praise be, lacked gravitas. As he writes in the closing words of his book, his religion is humour, and one might add warm friends in all parties and a shared bottle, and Westminster prefers sobersides to wits, party managers to boon companions.

Lord Boothby may fairly claim, as with customary lack of modesty he does, that at least the unfolding decades have proved him right when the men in power were wrong. He opposed, though Churchill's PPS in the 1920s, the return to the gold standard; he saw the dangers of 1930s appeasement; he counts the Yalta agreement a betrayal of western Europe if not a crime; he saw the impotence of de Gaulle; he was among the first of Europeanists postwar; and he condemned the Anglo-French attack on Port Said. In foreign policy and economics during his political career it is hard to fault him, except to say that it is always easier for spectators than players. For a short time during the war, until Churchill struck over Czech assets, he was a rising Minister in the Commons and the world seemed at his feet.

But it was not. He could fill the House with that bull-like roar from his cavernous chest; more important, he found he could command radio, television, and Fleet Street. He loves the media and no wonder, for there lay his flair: in *Any Questions?*, *In the News*, and innumerable lucid despatches to (of all papers) the *News of the World* on high questions like forming the United Nations and the Bretton Woods agreement.

It is often acutely said that politicians talk not so much about politics as about other politicians, and Bob Boothby's is that kind of book. Not a diary, not gossip, he has let himself go with the recollections and anecdotes of one of the best informed public men of his time; and his memories of Lloyd George and Churchill alone are worth the price. Both wartime Prime Ministers were his heroes, but like nearly all of his generation he gives Lloyd George pride of place. In Churchill he noted a cruel and selfish streak, though of him Bob says a lovely thing: "The only thing he feared was the House of Commons." Churchill would have wanted that for his epitaph in preference to the Graham Sutherland portrait.

David Wood

All quirk and opportunity

Other People's Letters
By Mina Curtiss
(Macmillan, £5.95)

Boston, 1896—the place and date of her birth were right for a self-declared bluestocking like Mina Curtiss. She is Lincoln Kirstein's sister. She has *been a lifelong professor at* Smith College, but as it were living the literature she teaches. People of her kind once used to cross the Atlantic summer after summer for the higher culture. In London during the Twenties she was duly psychoanalyzed by Ernest Jones, painted by Duncan Grant, snubbed by Vanessa Bell, invited by the Nicolsons and pursued by David Garnett. In American idiom, she might have majored in Bloomsbury, had she not found it finally *too petty*.

Edmund Wilson in 1930 in fact put her on to Proust, and there, in a fictionalized Faubourg St Germain, were the standards she was seeking. She translated and edited a selection of Proust's letters. Not till 1947, however, did she go to Paris for this work, by which time Proust's world had all but vanished into the grave. She set up at the Ritz and bought herself clothes from Mainbocher, rather a touching illustration of what she was expecting. Although it did not seem so to her, stylishness and intelligence and belief in the values of art were almost entirely on her side.

The few survivors, such as Madame Scheikévitch who had glories in a *salon*, Fernand Gregh the writer, Daniel Halévy, a school contemporary of Proust's, had long since published all they recalled. There was also Céleste Albaret, Proust's devoted maid in the years of his invalidism. Thanks largely to Mrs Curtiss, she escaped from the cheap hotel where she was working and built a career of sorts on her souvenirs. It seemed startling, and moving to Mrs Curtiss to be received by the Comtesse de Greffulhe, the famous model for the Duchess de Guermantes, by then immensely old and bed-ridden, wearing a machine-knitted concierge-type green jacket.

Prince Antoine Bibesco was *over 70, but less ghostly.* He had 200 letters from his friend Proust, and Mrs Curtiss was welcome to them on condition she went to bed with him first. Mrs Curtiss then says of the erratic but skilful Romanian seducer that his "idea of impotence in old age was the Anglo-Saxon notion of potency in the prime of life". In the end he proposed marriage but the obligations of research, though naturally paramount, did not have to be carried to such lengths.

The second large cache of Proust letters which she hit upon belonged to Magda Sibilat, who had inherited them from her aunt by marriage, Madame Emil Straus. In the Straus-Sibilat collection were also many of the papers of Georges Bizet, and so Mrs Curtiss was drawn into a biography of the composer. Scholarship, in short, has much to do with quirk and opportunity. *Mrs Curtiss believes that* literature is really the best of life, and that the truest insights into personality and events derive from material not intended to be published. The example of this agreeably special memoir suggests that *direct confession will serve as* well.

David Pryce-Jones

...ul Johnson's review of The Other Revolution by Arianna Stas...inopoulos will appear next week, with Michael Foot on Lloyd ...eorge, the People's Champion by John Grigg.

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60	37	Boustead	60	..	2.3	3.8	12.1
25	6	Brit Arrow	15	..	..	..	..
163	102	Challenge Corp	140	-1	6.6	4.7	10.0
65	42	Charterhse Grp	64	+1	5.1	7.9	12.4
54½	27¼	C Fin de Suez	£48	+¼	..	..	..
397	215	Daily Mail Tst	388	..	19.4	5.0	21.8
395	210	Do A	386	..	19.4	5.0	21.7
320	204	Dalgety	310	+1	24.4b	7.9	5.3
46	33	Dawnay Day	44	..	1.6	3.6	17.2
22	5	Edin Ind Hldgs	6	..	0.2n	1.9	..
127	79	Electra Inv	117½	..	7.6	6.5	21.7
28	15	Exploration	27	..	0.8	3.1	8.7
83	57	FC Finance	75	+2	3.1	4.2	15.1
24	5½	Fitzroy Inv	21½	-½	..	..	..
30	14	Goode D & M grp	21	-½	0.2	0.9	..
443	253½	Inchcape	350	..	22.7	6.0	9.4
129	80	Lloyds & Scot	93	+2	6.2	6.7	12.2
36	6	Ldn & Euro Grp	32	..	..	..	..
246	61	M&G Grp(Hldgs)	141	..	3.5	2.9	14.8
54	28	Manson Fin	46	..	5.3	11.5	12.1
122	61	Prov Fin Grp	104	..	7.7	7.4	9.3
331	43½	Sime Darby	101	+1	3.0	3.0	25.2
69	37	Smith Bros	61	..	7.5	12.3	2.2
860	631	Tyndall O'seas	860	..	46.4	5.4	..
55	14	Utd Dom Tst	42	..	..	..	7.3
38½	21½	Wagon Fin	42	..	3.1	7.5	2.8
87½	53	Yule Catto	77½	-2	2.2	2.8	10.1

INSURANCE

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
131	65	Bowring	120	..	4.7	3.9	..
38	23	Brentnall Beard	30	..	2.0	6.7	9.2
184	112	Britannic	166	..	13.9	8.3	..
172	103½	Com Union	158	..	12.2	6.8	..
180	107	Eagle Star	134	..	9.9	7.4	..
194	114	Equity & Law	168	..	10.1	6.0	..
284	161	Gen Accident	206	..	12.8	6.4	..
294	175	GRE	222	..	16.2	7.3	..
405	185	Hambro Life	378	-5	31.6	8.3	..
287	138½	Heath C. E.	253	+3	7.3	2.9	9.8
218	125	Hogg Robinson	216	+2	9.4	4.4	11.1
221½	126	Howden A.	145	+1	10.6	7.3	8.0
184	108	Legal & Gen	140	..	9.0	6.4	..
145	90	Leslie & Godwin	126	..	6.8	5.4	14.2
150	82½	London & Man	126	-2	10.2	8.1	..
165	57	Ldn Utd Inv	190	..	6.4	3.4	10.6
286	160	Matthews W'son	183	..	14.5	7.9	8.5
217	100	Minet Hldgs	176	+1	5.1	2.9	11.0
79	43	Moran C.	65	..	5.0n	9.1	6.1
250	152	Pearl	226	-2	19.1	8.4	..
322	183	Phoenix	238	-3	16.8	7.0	..
143	100	Prov Life 'A'	140	..	12.8	9.1	..
143	100	Do A Br	138	..	12.8	9.3	..
135	100	Do B	135	..	12.8	9.5	..
135	100	Do B Br	134	..	12.8	9.5	..
160	116	Prudential	140	..	10.6	7.6	..
154	94	Refuge	144	..	10.6	7.3	..
490	290	Royal	343	-4	26.3	7.7	..
478	224	Sedg. Forbes	402	..	16.2	4.0	13.9
113	89	Stenhouse	105	+1	6.4	6.1	7.9
682	385	Sun Alliance	556	..	33.3	6.0	..
217	65	Sun Life	104	..	5.2b	5.0	..
163	112	Trade Indem'ty	173	..	13.4	7.7	..
310	195	Willis Faber	247	+3	14.1	5.7	11.3

SHIPPING

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
341	216	Brit & Comm	297	..	14.1	4.8	8.7
180	54	Fisher J.	175	..	2.3	1.3	8.6
335	207	Furness Withy	242	+3	2.5	1.0	6.6
305	180	Hunting Gibson	112	..	0.3	0.1	..
41½	24½	Jacobs J. I.	37	..	2.6	7.6	15.1
270	205	Manch Liners	225	..	7.6	3.4	20.5
179	104	Ocean Trans	110	..	12.6	11.4	3.8
172	83	P & O 'Dfd'	89	-1	9.9	11.1	3.8

MINES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
765	370	Anglo Am Coal	580	-20	38.2	6.6	..
382	195	Anglo Am Corp	338	-6	21.0	6.2	..
20¼	11⅛	Ang Am Gold	£17⅝	+⅛	104	6.0	..
49	19	Anglo Am Inv	£38⅞	-1½	374	9.7	..
9½	6¼	Anglo Transvl	£7⅞	..	72.5	9.7	..
9½	6	Do A	£7½	..	72.5	9.7	..
15½	8¼	Asarco	£10½	-⅛	20.5	2.0	..
415	235	Ayer Hitam	355	+10	66.3	18.6	..
60	26	Beralt Tin	31	..	11.7	38.0	..
417	249	Blyvoors	307	-2	59.7	19.4	..
46	12	Botswana RST	22	..	..	..	..
107	65	Bracken Mines	66	-1	26.1	39.6	..
130	81	BH South	120	+1	..	..	..
11¼	5⅞	Buffelsfontein	£7⅞	-⅛	107	14.1	..
165	106	Charter Cons	149	-3	12.6	8.4	..
220½	136	Cons Gold Fields	174	-4	13.7	7.9	..
483	188	De Beers 'Dfd'	386	-4	32.9	8.5	..
409	145	Doornfontein	286	-5	31.3	11.8	..
442	132	Durban Rood	386	..	..	..	..
37	9	East Daggs	24	..	15.1	62.9	..
917	426	E Driefontein	685	-15	52.0	7.6	..
477	177	E Rand Prop	337	-9	..	..	..
63	23	El Oro M & Ex	60	..	1.7	2.8	..
184	64	Elsburg Gold	94	..	6.1	6.5	..
20⅛	8⅛	F S Geduld	£16⅝	-⅛	176	10.6	..
165	54½	Geevor Tin	165	..	7.6	4.6	..
20¼	12	Gen Mining	£15¼	-½	143	7.3	..
152	82	Grootvlei	95	-8	18.3	19.7	..

TEA

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
390	147	Assam Frontier	295	..	14.9	5.1	..
128	82	Assam Inv	102	..	10.6	10.5	..
314	95	Camellia Inv	314	+4	3.0	1.0	..
245	120	McLeod Russel	225	-1	20.5n	9.1	..
410	124	Moran	335	..	29.9	8.9	..
140	15	Surmah Valley	140	+5	10.0	7.1	..
130	81	Warren Plant	124	..	11.1	9.0	..

MISCELLANEOUS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
15¼	7⅝	Algoma Cen Rly	£10½	-⅛	26.0	2.6	15.3
78	40	Calcutta Elec	78	..	14.0	17.9	..
52½	42	E Surr Wtr 4.9%	£45	..	490	10.9	..
38¼	31½	Essex Wtr 3.5%	33	..	350	10.6	..
66	47	Gt Nthn Tele	£66	..	193	3.0	14.6
450	310	Imp Cont Gas	374	..	14.8	4.0	5.9
38	32	Mid Kent Wtr	£33½	..	500	14.9	..
136	48	Milford Docks	128	..	4.1	3.2	..
278	140	Nigerian Elec	210	..	20.1	9.6	..
38½	31½	Sunderland Wtr	£33	..	350	10.6	..

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The Times Industrial Share Index	218.42	6.27	11.75	219.75
Largest Coys.	222.20	6.10	11.24	223.86
Smaller Coys.	206.24	7.25	13.37	205.34
Capital Goods	262.50	6.68	14.62	264.15
Consumer Goods	224.95	6.80	11.04	226.22
Store Shares	190.04	6.11	8.05	192.15
Largest financial shares	218.25	6.42	—	218.65
Largest financial and industrial shares	221.44	6.16	—	222.86
Commodity shares	273.43	5.23	13.46	275.76
Gold Mining shares	313.41	9.43	15.52	318.05
Industrial debenture stocks	53.24	6.43*	—	53.31
Industrial preference stocks	56.27	12.41*	—	56.35
3½% War Loan	31½	11.71*	—	31½

A record of The Times Industrial Share Indices is given below:—

	High	Low
All-time	232.06 (14.09.78)	60.38 (13.12.74)
1978	232.06 (14.09.78)	184.86 (02.03.78)
1977	222.98 (14.09.77)	161.29 (12.01.77)
1976	171.85 (05.05.76)	115.85 (27.10.76)
1975	156.92 (10.11.75)	61.42 (09.01.75)
1974	126.18 (28.02.74)	60.18 (12.12.74)
1973	189.33 (12.01.73)	120.90 (14.12.73)

* Flat interest yield.

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ifferences on monetary ystem key topic of allaghan-Schmidt talks

n Caroline Atkinson
, Oct 18

James Callaghan, the e Minister, began talks Herr Helmut Schmidt, the German Chancellor, in today in which the ques- of British entry into the osed European Monetary me will figure highly. With Callaghan are the Chancel- the Minister of Agriculture the Secretary of State for le. Dr Owen, the Foreign etary, is expected to arrive om from Namibia to join talks tomorrow.

far the British and Ger- s have been in opposite ps on key features of the pean Monetary System, this will be the main topic e two-day talks. The main ssion on it is expected to place at dinner tonight, the two leaders will be ed by the other British sters and their German nterparts.

is afternoon Mr Callaghan Herr Schmidt discussed the ress of the world economy the economic summit in in July, and economic lopments in Britain and many since the summer.

separate talks, Mr Denis ley and Herr Hans Matt- er, the German Finance ister, discussed the cur- y scheme. Mr John Silin met his conterpart, the man Agricultural Miniser, l about German and British erences over fish policy, the common agricultural cy.

lthough Mr Callaghan and r Schmidt are expected to about the broad political stions raised by the pro- ed European Currency eme, the British believe the ils are so crucial that they t also be discussed at the n meetings.

ne British believe that the es of the numeriare of the em, the obligations of coun- to intervene in the foreign ange markets and to adjust omic policies, and the size he credit facilities which be available under the me are of major impor- e.

r Callaghan and Mr Healey ot expect to decide while own whether Britain should . However, they hope for e answers from the Germans how they see the scheme king, to ensure it is more n an enlarged snake.

They are most keen that there shoud be equal obligations on the strong and weak countries to intervene in the markets when necessary and to adjust economic policies. They believe the system should be based on a basket of currencies with automatic obligations to intervene when individual currencies deviate from their rate against the basket.

The Germans so far have supported a parity grid system with intervention points bilaterally between currencies. This is similar to the present snake.

The British also want larger credit facilities to be available for market intervention in the first two years of the system's life than do the Germans.

The British no longer are isolated in their opposition to the parity grid system and the size of credits. They were supported by the Irish and Italians at the finance ministers' meeting in Luxembourg on Monday. The French and Belgians took a middle view.

Mr Callaghan is anxious to find out how far the Germans are willing to shift their position to encourage British entry. A revaluation of the mark before the start of the new scheme also would be welcome to the British.

Herr Schmidt is to meet other EEC leaders over the next month. He will have talks with Mr Guilio Andreotti, the Italian Premier, on November 1; he is then to go to Paris to meet President Giscard d'Estaing on November 3 and 4, and will hold talks with the Norwegian and Dutch premiers later in November.

Another question likely to be raised between Mr Callaghan and Herr Schmidt is that of resource transfers within the EEC, and in particular on reform of the common agricultural policy. Concurrent studies have been taking place within the EEC on this.

The German Cabinet met this morning to discuss the EMS. Herr Matthöffer said afterwards that he hoped that the original timetable for the scheme would be met, with a decision on entry reached by the heads of EEC governments at the December summit.

Herr Schmidt told a group of German MPs yesterday that he hoped both Britain and Italy would join the scheme although he knew that both had reservations about it. He indicated that he would try to persuade Mr Callaghan to join.

Considerable opposition to British entry would be likely from some members of the Labpolitical difficulties for British ably will describe the internal our Party. Mr Callaghan probentry to Herr Schmidt, and emphasize that the British will need to be convinced that the scheme will be durable and of benefit to Britain.

East-West relations, disarmament, and the French suggestion that a team of three wise men should report on the problems of EEC enlargement also are on the agenda for the talks today and tomorrow. Expected to describe to Mr Callaghan his recent visit to Tokyo.

Mr Callaghan also is expected to raise the question of British participation in the European airbus, opposed by the French. He may try to shift the discussions on to a trilateral basis with the Germans taking part.

Dollar steadies: The dollar finished little changed on the day against most major currencies in active foreign exchange dealings, supported partly by central bank intervention and speculation about possible German monetary measures to ease credit.

In early trading, the dollar rose, but strong selling became readily apparent later and its backslide was checked only by central bank support, dealers said.

The West German Federal Bank, for instance, purchased $23.2m (about £11.6m) at the Frankfurt fixing, when the dollar struck a new low of DM1.8300. Dealers noted an absence of dollar buyers at the fixing, except for the German bank. The Swiss National Bank and the New York Federal Reserve Bank probably also helped support the dollar, traders said.

Import barriers: Rome, Oct 18.—European Community trade barriers to agricultural imports should be lowered when the proposed European Monetary System takes effect, Signor Rinaldo Ossola, the Italian Foreign Trade Minister, said today. His statement followed recent ones by Signor Andreotti, and the governor of the Bank of Italy that the EMS could be harmful to Italy's economy.

In particular, Italian officials fear that the EMS will not permit greater flexibility in exchange rates than is allowed within the existing monetary snake.

New twist in Sime row with auditors

By Michael Prest

A further twist was imparted yesterday to the already public row between Sime Darby, the Far East trading company, and Turquand, Youngs & Co. the auditors it wants to dismiss.

A senior partner of Turquand claimed that the publicly stated reason for the change was different from the explanations given by Sime to Turquand in the spring.

Mr Douglas Beaton, the senior Turquand partner concerned, said in Kuala Lumpur yesterday that "the reason put forward publicly by the board and the substance of the comments made later by Mr Scott (Sime's chief executive) are not mentioned in the minutes or the board papers".

The statement added: "None of the views expressed or reasons put forward by the board of Sime Darby and by Mr Scott at our meeting on April 12 would embarrass us nor do they give what we would consider an edequate reason for dismisssng us."

Mr Barton also claimed that, contrary to the protestations of the Sime board, the decision to replace Turquand by Price Waterhouse was not unanimous.

Mr J. S. Booton, Sime's finance director, was opposed to the move, and it is believed that he was joined by Tan Sri Taib Andak, chairman of Malaysia's biggest bank, Malayan Banking.

Mr Booton was replaced as financial director in August by Mr M. J. J. Dowdy, who came from Dalgety. Sime declined to comment on the allegations.

Turquand has repeated its defence that it has more experience of the Far East than any other auditor, and that it is quite big enough to handle Sime's business and any expansion the company might undertake.

Mr Beaton pointed out that Sime's argument that it had 30 auditors was irrelevant because Turquand audited more than 80 per cent of Sime's profits, and 25 of the auditors covered companies which contributed together about 3 per cent of Sime's profits.

More people holding back on pay settlements than under phase 3

By David Blake

Even more people are postponing settlements under the current round of pay policy than during the early period of Phase Three, according to Department of Employment figures.

An estimated 150,000 people have notified new settlements to the department since the current round of pay policy began in August, roughly 70 per cent of the number who notified pay deals during the first 21 months of Phase Three.

In addition, the police received in September part of the increase which was worked out during the last pay round.

No one has notified a settlement made outside the guidelines during the current round.

How great the actual increase in earnings will be during the current round is impossible to predict because many workers may have received extra payments for productivity on top of the basic 5 per cent which the Government allows.

Figures published yesterday show that in August average earnings actually fell from their July level, to 131.6 per cent of the figure recorded in January, 1976.

The earnings figures were 13.8 per cent higher than in August, 1977, suggesting a slightly lower rate of increase than in the 12 months to July.

If the older index which covers only production industries and a few services is used, however, earnings would seem to have gone up by 15.7 per cent in the year to August.

The increase on the old index is considerably higher because workers in the private sector have done better than those employed by the Government. The new index includes many government workers among the 21 million people it covers.

The drop in the earnings figure for August is part of the normal pattern of changes which occur throughout the year.

In part it reflects the fact that some people go on holiday and activity is generally less intense in August, which is not compensated for in the new index because it is still too recent to have had a seasonal adjustment built into it.

In addition, the figures for July were boosted by large components of back-pay as delayed settlements finally came through in the closing days of the 1977-78 pay round.

If the pattern of last year is repeated there are not likely to be any sharp increases in the earnings figures until those for November are published in January.

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Mr Michael Grylls: "Case of clear negligence" by NEB management.

Opposition call for inquiry on NEB

Mr James Callaghan, the Prime Minister, has been asked to start an urgent Parliamentary investigation into a large number of loss-making activities in which the National Enterprise Board has invested funds.

The request was contained in a letter from Mr Michael Grylls, MP (Cons, NW Surrey) and an Opposition spokesman on industrial affairs.

His request follows the announcement earlier this week that the NEB had disposed of the clockmaking company of Thwaites & Reed which it acquired last May and which has since lost £450,000.

Mr Grylls, who has taken a special interest in the operations of the state investment company and has been highly critical of many of its investments, suggested that a special Parliamentary Select Committee should look into the recent investments made by the board.

He said that the proposed investigation would not cover those large concerns like British Leyland and Ferranti, which were transferred to the NEB on its formation, but those companies in which the board had invested of its own volition.

Apart from the loss sustained on the investment made in Thwaites & Reed (whose contracts include the maintenance of Big Ben), he noted that the NEB had a number of other loss-making subsidiaries and associate companies—particularly British Tanners Products and Cambridge Instruments.

The recent half-yearly financial statement and accounts published by the NEB did not reveal the financial results of these individual subsidiary companies but the accounts for the half-year had shown a loss on the board's "other companies" of £1.4m.

"These other companies are investments they have made themselves. At this rate it seems that their investment decisions should be subject to much closer scrutiny by Parliament. It is for this reason that I think a Parliamentary inquiry, in one form or another is urgently required to protect the taxpayers' interests", Mr Grylls said.

In his letter the Opposition spokesman recalled that before the board made its investment in Thwaites & Reed, Lord Ryder, the then chairman of the NEB, was warned against the investment by the British Clock and Watchmakers Association on the basis that the company had no record of profitability.

Before the NEB purchase of the company it had lost £300,000.

In the last session of Parliament, the powerful Public Accounts Committee deplored the lack of Parliamentary accountability by the NEB and issued a strong recommendation that the Comptroller and Auditor General should have access to the board's books.

Mr Grylls added: "Despite the careful investigation done by the PAC, I believe that there is an urgent need for a wider inquiry which can spend more time and inquire more deeply than the PAC into why these decisions are taken."

Opposition leaders can be expected to resume the attack on the NEB's activities and investments when Parliament returns next month.

US criticizes Britain on Rolls engine sale

From Peter Norman
Brussels, Oct 18

Mr Fred Bergsten, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury today criticised Britain for extending what he described as excessive credits on a recent sale of Rolls-Royce engines for use on aircraft to be flown by an American airline.

He was speaking in Brussels as part of a tour of European capitals that has already taken in Paris and Bonn and will include a visit to London. The main purpose of his trip is to interest European Governments in limiting what the Carter administration sees as an escalation of export credit competition among major countries.

At a press conference, he described the dollar's weakness as a "transitory event", adding that it is "something we know will turn around".

Mr Bergsten pointed out that the Carter administration was working out the details of a new anti-inflation programme that would "round out" the fundamental economic steps taken by the United States Government to aid the dollar. He said the new programme, coming on top of the Energy Bill, the exports promotion campaign, the convergence of economic growth rates between the United States and other Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development countries and a fall in the United States trade deficit since February this year should be "the final straw to break the Swiss franc's back".

In particular, the United States will press at a meeting in Paris next week for a tightening up of the existing OECD guidelines that regulate export credit terms. The Carter administration also wants to extend the guidelines to cover aircraft, nuclear power equipment, agricultural commodities and ships.

He disclosed that the United States would like to see a significant increase in the minimum interest rates charged on export credits, which at present range from 7.25 to 8 per cent.

Scandinavia newsprint price rising

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Swedish, Norwegian and Finnish newsprint manufacturers are raising prices in Britain by 8.5 per cent from the beginning of next January ans when contracts run out in the middle of the uear newspapers could, if sterling remains relatively strong, face fresh price increase demands.

There is also some anxiety among British newsprint users that if United States consumption, at present up by 8 per cent continues at high levels some newsprint shortages could emerge by next year.

Scandinavian and Canadian mills are working at full capacity and priduction and consumption is said to be relatively in balance, with occasional slight shortages developing.

The newsprint price increase, just agreed, is not so far being taken as an indication of likely rises in the cost of other paper and pulp products. The Scandinavians are not increasing the prices of magazine papers in the first half of next year.

The Scandinavians pressed for the January increases, which will put the price of 45 gramme newsprint up from £254.50 a tonne fixed last January to £276.50, partly because of the effect of currency adjustment clauses in their contracts. Sterling's strength this year has meant rebates for users from £11 to £28 a tonne.

The paper makers also have been trying to close the gap between the price they get on the Continent compared with Britain. This has been as much as £50 a tonne although the United Kingdom is the Scandinavians' largest markeet for newsprint and there is also the question of what the market will bear.

Nevertheless this gap could—with currency prompt demands for higher prices next summer.

Canadian manufacturers, who account for about 33 per cent of the British market compred with the 41 per cenn of the Scandinavians, are expected to follow in raising prices. The Canadians have already secured increoses in the United States.

Bowater, the major British supplier together with Reed, has been making a loss on newsprint operations and is considering notifying a price rise, probably in line with the Scandinavian increase, to the Price Commission.

Australian complaint on sugar

Geneva, Oct 18

A serious complaint by Australia against European Community subsidies on sugar exports was widely supported today in a meeting of the 70-nation Council of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt).

Mr Colin Teese, of the Australian Department of Trade and Resources, alleged that as a result of the subsidy the community's sugar exports this year comprise 22.4 per cent of world free sales, compared with only 10 per cent two years ago.

He estimated EEC subsidies this year as $830m (about £436m)—double the amount for last year.

Mr Teese said the Community had now secured for itself "More than a fair share of the world market". The Australian Government asked accordingly, for the setting up of a Gatt panel to investigate.

Immediate support for the request came from a dozen countries, including Brazil, Cuba, the United States, India, Canada, Argentina and New Zealand.

Mr Paul Luyten, for the EEC, contended that Australia had not complied with the Gatt requirement of entering full discussions before calling for a panel.

He felt that, even if in contacts with the EEC over the past year or so the Australians had in effect come up against a blank wall, they should have come back once more before resorting to the Gatt equivalent of pulling the communication cord.

The Council decided that the two parties should hold immediate consultations in the hope of reaching an accommodation before resorting to a panel. Mr Teese, who went on to London tonight, will be back on Monday for the talks.

Australia's share of the world market was between 20 and 25 per cent. If the Australian estimate is correct, therefore, the Community has now taken the lead.

BI's cautious support for EMS

Patricia Tisdall

ndustrialists yesterday dec- d their support in principle Britain to join the proposed opean Monetary System MS). But they want fairly ngent conditions to be met ore giving their full ement.

he Council of the Confeder- n of British Industry has mally approved a report ommending participation in EEC scheme. At the same e members are afraid of ing boxed in" to an exnge system without suf- ent flexibility.

he CBI sent a draft copy the report to the Government lier this week before the me Minister, and Mr Denis aley, the Chancellor, flew to m for talks with the rmans.

hey want Mr Callaghan to n assurances that the elimin- on of large short-term ctuations in exchange rates uld not present necessary anges in parity.

ndustrialists also want rling to be set at competitive tial rates against other rrencies on entry. They give rning that even if moderate y settlements are achieved Phase IV some reduction in esent levels of the effective rling exchange rate may be eded in 1979.

Without it, they say, it may be difficult to achieve a continuation of national growth combined with a satisfactory current account on the balance of payments.

They hasten to add that what is required is sufficient room to make "fine tuning" adjustments rather than sweeping alterations.

Manufacturers have always maintained that extra volatility in exchnge rates is damaging to their export trade. At the same time they want to avoid excessive rigidity.

They would like to see emerging from the Boon talks a system of distributing the burden of adjustment for domestic economies between member countries. This is to prevent the monetary scheme being inherently resrictive in terms of economic growth.

The CBI says that the introduction of this scheme should be accompanied by arrangements for a better balance between contributions and benefits from the EEC which should be related to the strength of the various national economies.

George Clark writes: A statement from the executive of the all-party Safeguard Britain campaign yesterday expressed opposition to any form of European monetary system. They said that the introduction of EMS must lead to centralized decisions at the expense of national governments.

This fact had not been made clear in the technical discussions. Some central EEC authority would, in effect, determine the economic, monetary and social policy of a British government.

"Since the United Kingdom has already lost the power to impose tariffs or quotas or give selective help to particular industries, the removal of our right to determine our exchange rate policy as well would leave us unprotected, accelerate the de-industrialization of Britain and risk making us an economic satellite of the centralized EEC," the all-party group stated.

"At present the British people have some choice in determining the complex problems of pay, money supply, public expenditure and unemployment. With a Euro-monetary system, the choices would be made for them."

Mr Callaghan and Mr Healey can expect strong opposition to the EMS proposal from the Labour Party national executive next Monday.

A joint meeting of the Cabinet and the NEC has been arranged to discuss the parliamentary programme for the coming session and the whole future of Britain's relationship to the Community.

Drug companies act on price-cutting

By Peter Hill

Major drug manufacturers, including Boots and Hoffman-La Roche, the Swiss company, have issued admonitions to wholesalers in the pharmaceutical industry in a bid to prevent what they see as a slide towards the end of Resale Price Maintenance (RPM) on pharmaceutical products.

Boots wrote to wholesalers last month, and yesterday Roche Products, the United Kingdom arm of Hoffman-La Roche, underlined its support for RPM, in a letter from its managing director Mr Bill Gerard. He has asked wholesalers to confirm their agreement to observe Roche's terms and conditions of supply.

He noted that the principle of RPM on pharmaceuticals was to ensure that wholesalers competed only on service, in order to protect the availability and supply of all medicinal products to members of the public.

In his letter, Mr Gerard said: "We will monitor the situation in order to determine whether our current trading relationship and local requirements best meet the interests of the supply and availability of our products to retail pharmacists and the general public."

The company has been particularly concerned by types of activity which it considers to be in breach of RPM.

Platinum moves to a record price of $345

By Our Financial Staff

Platinum reached a record price of $345 an ounce in active trading yesterday, rising from $340 the day before and $328 at the end of last week.

Producers' shares fared less well—mainly because of the withdrawal from the market of buyers who had placed big orders at the start of the week.

Bishopsgate closed 7p down at 99p and Rustenburg, the world's largest platinum producer, shed 6p to 110. Both went lower than their closing prices during the day.

Demand for platinum is thought to have come chiefly from America. Industry's requirements have gone up with the revival of the aircraft business, and some manufacturers may be stocking ahead of further expected price rises.

Investors may also have felt that platinum was undervalued in relation to gold.

If such strong demand persists the producers may put up their prices, at present $250 for Impala (Bishopsgate) and $260 for Rustenburg.

Buyer likely for stake in ship group

By Alison Mitchell

The 16 per cent stake in Common Brothers—owned by British & Commonwealth Shipping through its subsidiary Menteith Investment Trust—is thought to be about to change hands.

The possible new owner of the holding in the Newcastle shipping group is likely to be Mr Gilbert Common, joint managing director, who already has over 11 per cent of the equity.

Sources close to the company confirmed last night that an *option on the shares was taken* out last week and is due to expire in the next day or two.

British & Commonwealth would make no comment on this, but Mr Neil Forster, director, pointed out that the group has always been a potential seller of the stake.

On last night's price of 166p, a rise of 28p over the past week, Common is capitalized at £5m, giving the 16 per cent holding a value of some £800,000.

If Mr Common does buy, it would give him a total holding *of 27.4 per cent and some feel* that it could be the first step to a full-scale bid which would take Common back to being a family-owned private company.

A near 5 per cent interest in the group was bought last week by Esacopen, thought to be one of the Ford Pension Funds, while the other major shareholder, Swan Hunter Group, has some 18 per cent.

In the eight months to February 28 last Common Bros turned a previous loss of £750,000 into a profit of £775,000.

apan sets a 8,720m xport record

Tokyo, Oct 18.—Japanese ports set a postwar record of ,720m in September; up 31 r cent from September last ar, and compared with ,890m in August, the finance inistry said.

The previous record of ,165m was reached last arch.

Machinery exports rose ainly through Middle East ntracts, while ship deliveries so rose, the ministry added.

Japan's steel export trade, hich had declined in the preous months, began to recover *September, reflecting in*creased shipments to China and outh-east Asian countries, the inistry said.

Visible trade imports in eptember totalled $6,090m, the econd highest on record after 6,250m last May and up 21 per ent over a year ago.

This followed a recovery of rudeoil imports to a normal evel after a slowdown in July nd August, it added.

Japan's preliminary visible rade surplus for the first half, pril to September, of fiscal 978 increased to $13,850m from 8,570m in the same period of iscal 1977.—Reuter.

West Indian airline buys £16m worth of R-R engines

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

Rolls-Royce has sold jet engines worth £16m to British West Indian Airways for the airline's four Lockheed TriStars which are on order.

The engines are RB211-524Bs developing 50,000lb of thrust each. Rolls won the contract against competition from the two main United States aern engine manufacturers, Pratt and Whitney, and General Electric.

The order is for two TriStar 500 airliners, with options on a further two. The 500 is a long-range version of the basic TriStar and will carry up to 240 passengers over 6,000 miles.

The first aircraft of this type was flown for the first time from the Lockheed factory at Palmdale, California, on Monday and will enter service with British Airways in the spring.

AVCO deal: British Aerospace have signed a deal worth an initial $15m (about £8m) under which the United States company Avco will make the wings for the new HS146 100-seater airliner.

Avco will become a risk-sharing partner in the 146 project, and the company's participation is expected to enhance sales prospects for the airliner in North America. So far, no orders have been logged for the 146.

The initial contract covers the manufacture of 20 sets of wings plus two sets for structural testing. The wings will be made at Avco's aerostructures division at Nashville, Tennessee, and will be delivered to the British Aerospace factory at Hatfield, Hertfordshire, where 146s are to be assembled. Deliveries will take place between October, 1979, and February, 1982.

Avco already make wing sets for the Lockheed TriStar airliner and tail units for the Lockheed Hercules freighter. In the past they produced wings for the Lockheed C5A Galaxy freighter, the biggest aircraft in the world.

Five airlines, including Pan American, have now ordered a total of 50 TriStar 500s. All of them have so far specified the Rolls engine, although the Americans are stepping up their efforts to introduce their own engines.

Sales of TriStars of all types now total 247, and exports of the Rolls-Royce RB 211 engine family to power them are worth £550m.

Loan rate spread benefits Wells Fargo

Continued increases in loans at Wells Fargo and favourable spreads between loan rates and the cost of funds brought in earnings rising from $25.2m to $31.8m.

Net income was $30.9m compared with $25.2m. Total earnings for the first nine months now amount to $85.5m against $62.2m while net income has risen from $62.3m to $83.1m.



Dr Guido Brunner, above, the EEC Energy Commissioner, said in Brussels yesterday he hoped to come to a "friendly agreement" with Britain over controversial aspects of its North Sea oil policy.

Speaking at a Commission press conference on energy policy, Dr Brunner said he was looking for an agreement without having to take the matter to law.

How the markets moved

The Times index: 218.42—1.36
The FT index: 494.6—3.9

Rises

Ayer Hitam	10p to 355p
Babcock & W	4p to 155p
Bambers Stores	4p to 170p
Bambergers	5p to 83p
Bibby J	5p to 262p
Brown & Jkn	6p to 266p
Linfood Hldgs	4p to 135p
Man Agy Mus	6p to 94p
Marshalls Un	4p to 148p
Mining Supp	7p to 113p
Ricardo Eng	4p to 334p
Reed Int	4p to 179p
Simpson S	4p to 120p
Spirax-Sarco	4p to 168p
Sungei Besi	5p to 210p
Surmah Valley	5p to 140p
Utd Eng	6p to 71p
W'mster & Cty	6½p to 29p

Falls

Anglo A Coal	20p to 580p
Beecham Grp	8p to 685p
Bk of NSW	8p to 602p
De Beers Ind	10p to 600p
E Driefontein	13p to 665p
Kloof	15p to 528p
Nothgate Expl	20p to 365p
Southvaal	12p to 494p
Winkelhaak	12p to 555p

THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.76	1.70
Austria Sch	28.50	26.50
Belgium Fr	64.00	60.50
Canada $	2.41	2.34
Denmark Kr	10.67	10.17
Finland Mkk	8.17	7.82
France Fr	8.75	8.35
Germany Dm	3.84	3.62
Greece Dr	74.00	70.00
Hongkong $	9.70	9.25
Italy Lr	1685.00	1600.00
Japan Yn	387.00	362.00
Netherlands Gld	4.21	3.98
Norway Kr	10.21	9.76
Portugal Esc	92.50	87.00
S Africa Rd	2.04	1.89
Spain Pes	147.25	140.25
Sweden Kr	8.92	8.52
Switzerland Fr	3.20	2.95
US $	2.05	1.99
Yugoslavia Dnr	43.00	40.50

Equities lost ground.
Gilt edged securities went better.
Dollar Premium 77 per cent (effective rate 35.8 per cent).
Sterling was unchanged at $1.5960. The effective exchange rate index was at 62.0.

Gold rose by 50 cents to $228.625. SDR-$ was 1.30828 on Wednesday, while SDR-£ was 0.655656.

Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1,518.2 (previous 1,514.3).

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Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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European unions back Chrysler work force

By Donald MacIntyre

European trade union leaders yesterday promised to ensure that work is not transferred out of Britain as a result of the Peugeot-Citroën takeover of Chrysler's European vehicle operations.

The International Metalworkers Federation, to which all the main British motor industry unions are affiliated, is to set up a multi-national Chrysler/Peugeot/Citroën council to "monitor actions and promises of the company so as to guarantee job security and extend democratic trade union representation in all firms."

Mr Grenville Hawley, who was at yesterday's meeting in London said: "We would be naive if we did not think that there will be a further assessment made now that the British Government has given approval to the takeover. It is that which we are trying to monitor."

The declaration referred to the French company's public pledge to provide continued employment throughout Chrysler United Kingdom and to maintain existing model and investment plans.

The federation, which at its meeting in Geneva nearly two months ago threatened transnational industrial action unless jobs were guaranteed, claimed that "no such pledges would have been forthcoming without our intervention."

Fears expressed about possible transfers of work, despite the company declaration of intent, have risen through rumours circulating partially among design staff that the company could in the long term switch some work, including some engine production, carried out at the Stoke plant in Coventry, to France.

Motor show warning on demand for higher pay offer

Strike 'threatens Vauxhall recovery'

By Clifford Webb

Mr Bob Price, chairman of Vauxhall Motors warned his 26,000 manual workers yesterday that if they go ahead with their threatened pay strike in two weeks, it would pose a serious threat to the company's recovery from the severe losses experienced in recent years.

He said last year's five-week strike had already set the group back three months, and a further strike now would be doubly damaging. Vauxhall's present 7 per cent share of the United Kingdom market could easily have been 10 per cent, and there was potential for up to 15 per cent.

Mr Price, who was speaking on Vauxhall's stand at Birmingham's International Motor Show which opens tomorrow, said he was still optimistic that the strike would not take place.

Mass meetings of employees would be held over the next few days to vote on the strike recommendation and "there is a lot of goodwill on the shop-floor. A lot of the chaps like the progress we have made in recovering from the losses of recent years. I am sure they will not want to jeopardize that."

He said management was still ready to take part in further talks with the unions, and there was room for flexibility. The productivity deal proposed could make Vauxhall workers among the highest paid in the motor industry.

At day-long talks in London on Tuesday, union negotiators insisted that the company should improve its basic offer of increases between 4.2 per cent and 4.9 per cent—just under the Government's five per cent guideline—before they would consider any productivity proposals. They gave the company 14 days' notice of their intention to call a general strike unless there was a substantial improvement in the basic rate.

Despite the fact that double shift working was introduced at all the Vauxhall plants, several months ago, production is still between 15 per cent and 20 per cent below target.

Although neither side is prepared to acknowledge it formally, Vauxhall's total package will be conditioned by the outcome of the current Ford pay talks. Vauxhall has traditionally waited for Ford to settle before clinching its own pay deal.



Mr Bob Price: "Goodwill on the shop floor."

Export curb 'unjust to Nissan'

Tokyo, Oct 18.—The leader of a group of 30 British Datsun car dealers accused the Japanese Government today of discriminating against Nissan in cutting that company's exports to Britain.

Mr Peter Fletcher said: "That is the reason why in the United Kingdom Datsun dealers have only one month's supply of cars and all the other Japanese manufacrurers have between three and five months' stock."

It was totally unjust, he said. The British Government exerted "extreme pressure" on Japan to control car exports to Britain to protect British car industry workers' jobs.

As a result of this agreement Datsun dealers had lost more than 10 per cent of the market, he said.—AP-Dow Jones.

Ford chief offers more money for more output

Sir Terence Beckett, chairman of the Ford Motor Company, made clear yesterday that the company was prepared to add substantially to its 8 per cent offer to the 57,000 woreers now on strike over a pay claim, but only if they agreed to return to work.

He also was adamant the company was not going to make a large offer of "confetti" money: the unions would have to be prepared to negotiate on improved productivity.

Sir Terence was speaking at the press preview of the International Motor ShEw where the Ford stands are empty because their vehicles have been blacked by members of the Transport and General Workers' Union.

"Negotiations should be a question of give and take and so far we think that it has been give, give, give, give by us. There is considerably more money that we can talk about, but the money has got t be tied to negotiation in terms of increased productivity", Sir Terence said.

It is known that Ford also wants the egotiations to cover the problem of absenteeism which at the moment is running at an average daily level of 1,200.

The 8 per cent offer, made last Friday, was rejected by the unions, and Ford is understood to be thinking of making a much larger offer in an attempt to end the strike, now in its fourth week. The company already has agreed to negotiate beyond the Government's 5 per cent pay guidelines.

The strike is beginning to hit dealers hard.

Toolmakers at SU to stay out

Leyland's rebel toolmakers voted yesterday to continue their 11-week strike in the belief that it is at last starting to bite.

The 33 men had been expected to admit defeat and go back to work at the SU Fuel Systems factory in Birmingham after finding they could no longer count on the backing of 3,000 other Leyland toolmakers.

But they were heartened to hear from their leaders that the SU management was about to start laying off workers because of plant breakdowns.

The rebels decided overwhelmingly not to return until they had a "cast-iron guarantee" that a pay rate of £84.76 for toolmen, said to have been circulated by Leyland, would be introduced from November 1.

They said they would only accept this figure if it was established by management and union officials at national level.

One of their shop stewards, Mr George Regan, said they were sceptical about the figure and believed it to be the rate Leyland planned to pay toolmen from November, 1979.

Another steward, Mr Albert Benbow, commented: "SU is getting closer to a shutdown situation, which means we are getting nearer to a meeting with the company which could resolve problems.

1,300 laid off at Mintex

It was announced yesterday that 1,300 men have had to be laid off at the Mintex factory at Cleckheaton, West Yorkshire. The layoffs follow industrial action by 300 men at a sister company, Scandura, which shares a site with Mintex.

Mintex, an important supplier of parts such as brake linings to the motor manufacting industry, is not itself involved in industrial action.

Scandura employees have been picketing all gates at the joint site and because of inter-union agreements drivers are refusing to cross the picket lines. The Scandura union is the National Union of Dyers, Bleachers and Textile Workers.

Mr Dennis Austin, managing director of Mintex, said the company was due to start an autumn breaw from today until next Wednesday.

Austin Morris filling gap

Mr Ray Horrocks, managing director of Austin Morris, said at the Motor Show preview yesterday that the group was poised to exploit the gap in the car markets left by the Ford strike.

He went on: "I do not want to gloat over the misfortunes of a competitor, but we are now seeing the inevitable fall in Ford's market share and our cars are well placed to take advantage.

"Since the factories resumed after the summer break we have had practically uninterrupted production and this means we have good stocks of practically all our models.

"The Marina and the Princess, which we recently relaunched with the new O series engine, have done particularly well and the Marina is currently taking 8 per cent of the market. Our tails are up at the moment."

In brief

Footwear firms unite over trade barriers

Footwear makers from 18 developed countries, with the United Kingdom represented by the British Footwear Manufacturers' Federation, are joining forces to secure action on trade barriers and on restrictions on hide exports by developing countries.

The footwear industries in the developed countries face a "breakdown point" on both these problems, the British federation said yesterday.

The group of 18 are now to ask their governments for concerted action to secure some form of international regulation of trade in footwear, possibly along the lines of the Multi-Agreement in textiles.

New Tyne Shiprepair marketing approach

Foreman, shop stewards and yard managers are to join management in a marketing campaign being mounted later this month in Europe, in which they will meet shipowners.

Mr R. E. Butler, chief executive of the company, which is part of the state-owned British shipbuilders, said he was confident that this new approach to marketing would work.

He added: "We feel shipowners would welcome the chance of meeting the men who would be working on their vessels.

£7m order from Shell

William Press Production Systems has won a £7m order from Shell UK for two production modules for the main platform on the Fumar oilfield. The modules, each weighing about 2,000 tonnes, will be built at the company's main Howdon yard and new West works site at Wallsend, Tyne and Wear. They will handle water/gas treatment and gas compression.

Aid for small groups

Loans totalling more than £1m have now been arranged by the Welsh Development Agency's Small Business Unit which was set up 18 months ago, the agency announced yesterday. More than 60 companies have benefited and the agency expects them to have provided about 450 new jobs over the next three years.

Pay policy concern

Mr Dennis Healey, the Chancellor, was urged by the British Institute of Management yesterday to encourage productivity deals and adopt a procedure for resolving pay anomolies. Mr Leslie Tolley, the chairman, said the institute opposed pay guidelines but was concerned that collective bargaining would be unrestrained.

Correction

We regret that, in our issue of October 17, we mistakenly published a picture of Mr Eric Argent, joint general manager of the Anglia, Hastings & Thanet Building Society, above a caption referring to Mr John Porter, chairman of the society.



Prince Charles begins work with NEDO

Prince Charles spent his first day at work yesterday. He was the "new boy" at a National Economic Development Office working party meeting at Millbank Tower, London, where chiefs of industrial truck firms met to discuss the future.

Mr Geoffrey Chandler (left), director general of NEDO, said "He had certainly read his papers. We were very impressed. It is nice to know he takes such an interest in British industry. We are delighted he came."

The meeting was the first part of a programme to acquaint Prince Charles with developments in United Kingdom industry. He said in April that he intended to find out about "the whole spectrum of life in this country: engineering, finance, agriculture and government".

Prince Charles took an active part in the talks, including discussions on imports, competition, and other critical issues, a spokesman said. Mr John Lyons (right), chairman, said: "It was a straightforward meeting and there were no punches pulled. He encouraged us by his presence." Details of what went on were not released.

Big Adriatic oil discovery is confirmed

From John Earle

Rome, Oct 18

Elf, the French oil company, is analysing samples of crude from a new well which on first evidence confirms the presence of extensive deposits of dense oil in the Adriatic.

The well, Rospo Two, which is thought to have struck oil at about 1,300 metres, lies four and a half kilometres from Rospo One which made the original discovery some two years ago.

The company which heads a consortium including Agip and other Italian and French interests, has received authorization from the government for the field's commercial exploitation. But there are technical problems because of the dense and viscous nature of the oil.

Signor Pietro Sette, chairman of the State hydrocarbons corporation ENI, said some time ago that the deposits were estimated to be well in excess of 100 million tons, but recovery techniques at present were not economic.

The find compares with the 40 million tons reserves at the only sizable Italian oilfield in production, at Malossa.

Standards body facing financial constraints

By Derek Harris

British Standards Institution's key role in meeting the demands of the nation's industrial strategy, underlined in the recent Warner report to the National Economic Development Council on standards and specifications in engineering, could face financial constraints, according to Mr G. R. Feilden, the institution's director-general.

He said at the annual meeting in London yesterday that national policies of import substitution and export groth posed challenges to the machinery for establishing appropriate standards.

Financially there had been a healthy outcome for the institution in the past year, the standards budget of £5.7m having been achieved with a "very small surplus". But Mr Feilden went on: "The standards budget will need to be carefully watched in the coming months.

"We hope to sustain the modest increase in the number of technical staff begun last year ,after a damaging period of manpower reduction, if a sufficent increase in the number of subscribers and the sales of BSI publications is attained.

"Next year's budget is tightly drawn, and the level of future demand calls for substantially higher revenue."

The institution's quality assurance account which covers certification, testing and inspection work had a surplus slightly above target last year of £197,000, but this was required to finance major building developments, new capital equipment and repayment of loans.

As well as planned expansion of services, the institution was putting increasing emphasis on making the production of standards more efficient. One major new standard being developed was for design, installation and testing of solar systems for pre-heating domestic water.

This should help industry to provide well-constructed and durable equipment, backed by accredited performance data, as well as protecting the consumer against unwise investment in unsatisfactory systems, Mr Feilden said.

Technical harmonization in Western Europe, was a high priority for the institution. The United Kingdom was in a unique position to encourage increased alignment of policy and procedures.

Already more than 50 European standards had been published—a third of them in the past year—by the European Committee for Standardization.

Mr Feilden, who is CEN's president, pointed out that CEN's electrotechnical counterpart, Cenelec, had also produced more than 200 harmonization documents.

International projects were still occuping a greater part of the institution's programme, aimed at identifying areas of greatest potential benefit to United Kingdom industry.

Business appointments

Lord Croham joins Pilkington board

Lord Croham, formerly head of the Home Civil Service, has joined the board of Pilkington Brothers as a non-executive director.

Mr B. V. Strickland, a director of J. Henry Schroder Wagg, has been made a director and chief executive of Schroder, Darling Holdings and deputy chairman and chief executive of Schroder, Darling and Company of Australia. He remains a director of Schroder Wagg. The appointment is effective from December 1.

Dr I. M. Macfarlane has become a director of ICI Fibres from November 1.

Mr J. G. Harris has been made general manager (related services) Midland Bank from November 1. He also becomes managing director of Midland Bank Finance Corporation and has joined the boards of its main subsidiaries, Forward Trust, Midland Montagu Leasing and Griffin Factors.

Mr John Devlin is now a director of Rothmans International.

Mr M. H. Oram becomes a director of Viking Resources Trust.

Mr Malcolm Hodge has been promoted to the new post of managing director—aviation and marine sales in the eastern hemisphere, by Chevron International Oil.

Mr Michael Bosworth, deputy chairman, has been made chairman of British Transport Hotels from November 1. Mr I. M. Campbell, BR Board member and chief executive (railways), becomes chairman of Transmark. Mr J. G. Urquhart, BR Board member for operations and productivity, is to be chairman of BRE-Metro and in February will take over as chairman of British Rail Engineering from Mr I. M. Campbell.

Mr John F. McGillicuddy is to become chairman and chief executive officer of Manufacturers Hanover Corporation from April 1, when Mr Gabriel Hauge retires.

Mr Michael Shortland becomes managing director of Frazer-Nash in succession to Mr A. R. Lewis.

Mr George Hislop has become a director of Caledonian Airmotive.

Mr S. D. McGeorge has been made a director and general manager of British Engine Insurance of Manchester from January 1.

Mr Ian Wilkie has become managing director of Norwest Holst's new plant and distribution division.

Mr T. P. Bayley, joint managing director of Coventry Motor Fittings, a subsidiary of COVRAD, has joined the COVRAD main board.

Mr J. G. Dickson, assistant managing director and finance director, has been made joint group managing director of Hanger Investments.



Lord Croham, now on the board of Pilkington Brothers.

AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following are the index numbers for average earnings of all employees in all industries and services covered by the monthly earnings inquiry released by the Department of Employment:

	(1) Old series of average earnings (Jan 1970 = 100 seas adj	(2) New series of average earnings (Jan 1976 = 100)	Change in (1) over 3 months at annualized rate
1977			
Sept	291.0	116.6	6.4
Oct	295.8	117.9	13.9
Nov	300.5	120.1	19.0
Dec	304.8	121.7	20.4
1978			
Jan	306.5	121.5	15.0
Feb	311.0	122.7	15.0
March	317.3	125.0	13.8
April	325.9	127.2	27.8
May	330.9	129.4	22.2
June	336.6	133.1	26.7
July	338.0	133.6	8.9
Aug	332.5	131.6	7.0

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Level of supplementary benefit payments

From Mr Paul Lewis

Sir, The minister's response (October 3) to my letter (September 28) was predictable enough but I do not like my statements publicly to be called "far from the truth". The substance of Mr Orme's complaint turns on the meaning of the word "contemplate".

The Department of Health and Social Security is, of course, considering carefully all the proposals in the report of the review team into the supplementary benefit scheme. One of these proposals is to reduce the benefit paid to a large number of claimants for the first eight weeks on benefit. This proposal seems to be among those most likely to be taken up and despite the officially open mind, is most definitely being contemplated.

The present attitude of the department to this suggestion is well illustrated by Mr Orme in his letter. It would, he says, leave "only 22 per cent of claimants worse off". A claimant is by definition someone who is living at the official poverty line. Those working with poor families, the majority of whom are one-parent families, not to mention the claimants themselves, unanimously agree that the present level of supplementary benefit is an inadequate amount on which to keep a family.

Even to consider a proposition to reduce still further the poverty level at which 553,000 families with children live is to show how out of touch both the review team and the Department of Health and Social Security are with claimants themselves.

The purpose of the proposed change is simply to save administrative time.

I hope your readers, who are mainly taxpayers rather than claimants, will take up Mr Orme's offer and write to him saying that they do not wish a few pence to be saved on their behalf at the expense of those living in poverty.

Yours sincerely,
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Improving the operation of industrial tribunals

From Mr Douglas Pollard

Sir, With echoes of the conference litanies receding, may I offer a merciful suggestion to those unenviable political cooks now left to concoct digestible manifestos from a mess of stale promises? Your columns would seem fitting since I would refer to the two admirable articles by Maurice Corina in your issues of August 30 and 31 and to your subsequent editorial on the subject of industrial tribunals. These contain several truly fresh ingredients for those of any party prepared to open their minds to receive a gifted idea.

Your editorial began: "Industrial tribunals and the way they work, seem likely to become a contested issue in the elections." If so, it will be a cause of shame if political parties adopt, out of habit, entrenched positions of defence and attack, either ignoring imperfections in the hard-won tribunals structure or seeking to dismantle it.

Particular thought should be given to the grievous issue of legal aid, now unavailable to claimants however impoverished sudden dismissal has rendered them. As Maurice Corina pointed out: "If anything, tribunals are becoming places for the non-unionist and the middle income range person. . . ." Vote-seeking parties would be prudent to analyse the implications of this.

Today it is white and blue collar workers in a multitude of inconspicuous occupations who are especially vulnerable to the eccentric decisions of wilful employers contemptuous of new-fangled statutory rights. The abrupt and positive dismissals that threaten their daily lives would provoke instant strikes where union backing is strong or at least evoke the ready aid of workmates.

Your editorial suggests a "paying in" arrangement to hasten compromise solutions and more active use by tribunals of existing powers to award costs against frivolous and vexatious claimants. Agreed. But quite as necessary is the provision of legal aid when claimants genuinely have no money to pay for professional advice and, as a consequence, suffer months of insecurity and dread which tribunals, when finally reached, do their generous best to alleviate.

Such aid could, very simply, be repayable if the claimant is awarded costs. Tribunals might also be encouraged to consider the pressing plight of such claimants and accord them some priority in the growing waiting list. Only in such ways can the same law (which calls upon employers, not employees, to justify their actions) be applied to the power-rich represented by union or counsel and the power-poor now obliged to represent themselves.

Yours faithfully,
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Taxation of taxi tips

From Mr I. D. Griffin

Sir, When I wrote to you concerning the taxation of taxi drivers' tips I did so in the manner of a mischievous wasp with an idle moment. However, since one of my statements has been challenged by Mr V. H. T. Grout (October 11), who I think was formerly HM Senior Principal Inspector of Taxes, I hope you will not feel it a waste of your columns to allow me to make a more serious reply.

Mr Grout says that inspectors of taxes would rightly claim that the tips of a self-employed taxi driver are taxable. He offers no statutory or direct judicial support for this but merely draws an inference from a case which was fought in rather different circumstances. Moreover, he admits that the Inland Revenue has been "generally unsuccessful" when its views on ex gratia business receipts have been tested in the courts. It seems reasonable, therefore, to suggest that it might be equally unsuccessful if this point was tested directly.

Unfortunately, such a test is unlikely since in this, as in many other grey areas of taxation, the Inland Revenue does not need to rely on the strength of its arguments. Win or lose the taxpayer cannot recover the costs of an action before the General or Special Commissioners and so the expense of this first step on the road of appeal can often be more than the tax in dispute. Since the Inland Revenue's practice on tips covers several occupations one can imagine the formidable opposition (at formidable public expense) which would face the individual taxpayer who was foolhardy enough to ask for an impartial decision. An income tax appeal, like the Ritz, is open to everybody!

I found it useful with Mr Grout's letter to substitute the word "solicitor" wherever I found the words "taxi driver" and the sense did not alter one jot. The value of the gratuities of many a self-employed solicitor would put to shame the tips of many a self-employed taxi driver. True, the one *is* paid in kind and the other in cash but I do not see that the form of payment can alter the essential nature of a business receipt. If the *ratio decidendi* of Calvert v Wainwright applies with equal force to Schedule D (and I would need to be convinced that it does) then the only way a solicitor can avoid tax on his gratuities is by showing that they recognize some personal quality quite unconnected with business.

No doubt there are times when the purchase of lunch is purely a gesture of friendship but mostly it is a reward which is customary and frequent. If the client is in business, notwithstanding that the cost would be disallowed for tax purposes, would he not charge it in his accounts? If the solicitor was moved to return the gesture, would the cost not be reflected in his business accounts? I do not know that there is any rule under Schedule D which requires one to make any essential distinction between giving a person the price of a drink and actually buying it for him.

We are agreed that the tip of an employed taxi driver is a taxable emolument. I am certain Mr Grout would agree that the cash given to a miner in lieu of free coal is also a taxable emolument. The difference is that the Inland Revenue does not tax the latter and has gone to the extreme length of publishing a formal undertaking not to tax it. During the debates on the 1976 Finance Bill even Parliament was unable to get a satisfactory explanation for this generous treatment. No doubt it too arises out of some special relationship.

Perhaps the solution for both types of taxi driver is to abandon their arguments and concentrate on cultivating their friends.

Yours faithfully,
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Fisheries: 'Britain not at fault'

From the Chairman of the South Atlantic Fisheries Committee

Sir, On October 11 you published an article by Hugh Clayton in which he said: "There is a belief in Britain that Mr Silkin is pursuing a deliberately nationalist fish policy with which he can win favour for the Government in coastal constituencies." As he pointed out, whether or not Mr Silkin is "a convinced anti-marketeer", he has the support of all parties in Parliament for the policies Britain has taken to conserve herring stocks and also for the exemptions in the interests of the inshore fisheries of Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Clyde Estuary.

It is not Britain which is at fault but the inflexibility of the EEC regulations, enacted before the British Isles entered the Community and without regard to the very different conditions prevailing off our coasts from those of the Continent. I was one of those concerned with the fishing industry who, at the time of the EEC negotiations, sent telegrams to Mr Rippon in Brussels, pointing out the consequences which have now ensued.

All the EEC states must face the fact that herring, cod and other important fish stocks in the traditional European fisheries have been severely depleted by modern ocean-going fishing vessels. No one would seriously suggest that inshore fishermen are responsible for this.

My committee, which represents all aspects of the fishing industry, is concerned with the investigation of the commercial profitability of an alternative distant water fishery in the South-west Atlantic. We are grateful for the constructive interest which Mr Silkin and his officials are showing.

The Falkland Islands and their dependencies are an associate territory of the EEC in the 200-mile economic zones of which, when declared, all EEC fishing vessels will have a common fisheries interest under the EEC treaty. Mr Gundelach and Mr Gallagher, as EEC civil servants, would be more usefully employed in looking with us to the South-west Atlantic as an alternative source of fish than adopting an inflexible attitude to Mr Silkin's policies.

Yours, etc,
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October 13.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Profits take off at British Home Stores

Half-time results from British Home Stores demonstrate the company's dilemma. On the one hand there are profits considerably better than the best expectations, at £10.4 per-tax. On the other there is an interim dividend raised by a mere 10 per cent, as against the substantial increase which Marks and Spencer announced yesterday—a pointer to the problems which BHS could have under the dividend control regulations. Projecting the BHS increase forward to the end of the year, leaves the shares at 212p yielding 4.9 per cent—as against the yield of over 5 per cent to which shareholders of Marks and Spencer can look. British Home Stores may have recovery potential but the shares will not stand a disparity like that.

The point about the first half performance is that the group has been firing on only two of its three cylinders. The food department may benefit in the long run from the closures of the first half, but during that period all they brought was unquantified exceptional costs; and with turnover slightly lower in value (never mind volume) terms, this probably did not contribute at all to the profits increase. That means that everything else must have done very well as, indeed, the turnover figures indicate. Restaurant sales were 25.3 per cent higher while those of "merchandise" have risen by over 29 per cent—well in excess of the 22 per cent rise on non-food sales which Marks and Spencer reported on Tuesday. Almost half of that rise can be put down to a greater volume throughout in existing space. BHS itself puts that down, in turn, to the benefits of trading up.

Whether such trading up will be maintained once consumer spending loses some of this year's buoyancy remains to be seen: but for the moment it looks as though BHS is set for a good second half performance quite apart from the potential on the food side—which the group reckons will have come right by the end of the year.

Merger policy

Undermining the Green Paper

The Green Paper on competition policy has run into some varied opposition since its publication in May. Nevertheless, it remains a useful political animal for the Government. The growing feeling that prices will be the counter-inflation tool to rise from the ruins of Phase Four has now heightened the danger that beefing up the Monopolies and Prices Commissions by merger will carry with it some of the more wrong-headed ideas in the paper.

So the Consultative Committee of Accountancy Bodies has produced a timely undermining effort with its memorandum to the Government on the issue. It should immediately be said that the memorandum has been produced with substantial industrial involvement and with some industrial consultation so it carries some weight and to some extent anticipates the result of its own recommendation that the proposals should be subject to wider discussions in industry.

Centrally the CCAB casts serious doubt on the Green Paper's rather vague espousal of the belief that mergers have a high failure rate. There are two telling points: merger success has to be judged in the long-term while most of those studied happened during the merger boom of the past decade. Legislation in employment and industrial relations has, in any case, interfered with the original planning of the mergers.

Furthermore, the accountants want to see wider definition of public interest to include the problem of our international competitiveness. Specifically they throw in the idea that capital intensive companies should have a freer hand to grow large as these depend more on size to compete overseas. The point is that weighting the balance too heavily in favour of the United Kingdom consumer by excessive control of domestic monopolies could prove disastrous. A distortion of competition may sometimes be inevitable when a successful company grows quickly.

But the accountants do want monopolies watched carefully and this emphasis prompts them to propose throwing out the size of assets criterion for reference to the Monopolies Commission. This has often been used to catch conglomerate acquisitions but in reality such acquisitions have proved largely unfruitful precisely because they do not involve taking a significant presence in any one market.

Overall the CCAB document tends to highlight the fact that the Green Paper's proposal of neutrality rather than encouragement for merger merely sounds acceptable on paper. In fact the proposal really means a move from a sceptically positive bias to a negative bias.

Duport

Caught in the steel slump

Profits at Duport have slumped by more than a quarter to £3.24m at the interim stage, and the group's earlier hopes of an improved second-half have completely evaporated in the face of continuing recession in steels. At the halfway stage trading profits from steel are down 45 per cent to £2.5m and the omens are for even tougher conditions for the rest of this year. American talks on "trigger prices" which start tomorrow are widely expected to put imports from Britain—7 per cent of Duport's business—under greater pressure, while the strike at Ford, which takes around 10 per cent of the group's steel, is causing even more anxiety.

The hope of course is that when recovery eventually does get underway Duport will be in great shape to take advantage after the *painful surgery of the past two years.* The group's switch to electric arc furnaces, which is costing 1,200 jobs could be completed by the year-end and benefits should start to come through next year whatever the state of the market. Meanwhile fierce pruning in domestic products—mainly Slumberland beds—could transform last year's £2.3m loss into at least breakeven by the end of this year.

Without profits from the Burman steering gear subsidiary which went to Adwest for £4.7m last July, after contributing £592,000 at the interim stage Duport's full-year profits could fall to around £5.5m against last year's £7.4m However, a maximum interim dividend hike has helped keep recovery hopes alive and the shares advanced 1p to 70p yesterday. Given the prospects for improved profitability next year a yield of over 10 per cent—assuming a similar increase in teh final—begins to seem reasonably attractive.

Discount houses

Making profits again

Both Union Discount and Alexanders, which report on a calendar year basis, admitted to making losses in the half year to the end of June, so it is indicative of the improvement in trading conditions in the quarter since then that Jessel Toynbee and Smith St Aubyn, which have March year ends, should both now be reporting first half profits. Admittedly they are down on the same period a year ago (Jessel concedes they are "considerably lower"), but last year the houses had an exceptionally good year and given the three and a half point rise in Minimum Lending Rate during the past six months it is some achievement to have made any profit at all. Moreover, there is further encouragement in Jessel's promise of a maximum dividend increase, which gives a yield of 9 per cent at 60p. If Smith does the same, as it probably will, its yield will be over 10 per cent at 80p.

What marks out the performance of Jessel and Smith compared to Alexanders and Union is that the latter had to contend with a period of steadily rising rates, and therefore capital losses, while the former enjoyed a second quarter of relative stability in rates. There were, indeed, times during August and September when it seemed likely that the next move in short-term interest rates would be down and some opportunities to make capital profits presented themselves. Meanwhile the houses have been able to make reasonably good running profits on books which have at times been very big.

Economic notebook

Understanding the PM's economics

The Government is in danger of getting itself and the rest of us unnecessarily confused over just what its counter-inflation policy really is. It seems to look on incomes policy on the one hand and fiscal and monetary policies on the other hand as two *alternative* options for fighting the battle against rising prices.

They are not. Either they work together or one of them not merely will not work in the present circumstances but cannot work.

The confusion showed most clearly in the Prime Minister's speech at Blackpool, where he warned that if the unions did not behave in a way broadly consistent with the pay policy that he wants to see applied, the Government "should take offsetting action to keep inflation down through fiscal and monetary measures".

The Prime Minister's speech was a political masterpiece but as a statement of economic policy it contained some very mysterious suggestions.

It can hardly be his purpose to suggest that the range of policies in the fiscal and monetary field, which are being pursued by the Government, are not designed to hold inflation down; for if he were to suggest that, then the unions would be very foolish indeed to behave in a way which did not protect their members from such government-induced inflation.

Let us then assume that the Government's view is that the rate of inflation is not caused by anything that they are doing. What could it do through fiscal and monetary measures to bring down the inflation to "offset" the unions insisting on higher wages?

Let us begin by noting that at about this stage last year the Government was claiming that it was using fiscal measures to bring down the inflation rate by cutting taxes; now it is implying that it will bring down the inflation rate by raising taxes.

Last year the Government argued that cuts in the direct tax bill made workers more prepared to accept low pay settlements; but by the same logic increases in the tax bill ought to make workers more determined to press for high settlements.

It is difficult to see anything so far in the Government's reasoning which suggests that they can use fiscal means if incomes policy fails.

Of course, the Government might choose to raise indirect rather than direct taxes, but a similar problem applies here.

Tax cuts

Last autumn they argued that workers should take lower settlements because the rise in the value of the pound brought about an unexpectedly sharp drop in shop prices.

It would be interesting to see if government ministers would accept that workers should press for more money if an unexpectedly sharp rise in inflation caused by increasing indirect taxes was to take place.

Let us assume that the Government does not take seriously now what it said a year ago on the relationship between wage demands and tax changes. Does that mean the Government can, albeit painfully, bring down the inflation rate? The answer is that it might, but only if it is believed that things are really inconsistent with the pursuit of a pay policy in the first place.

Suppose that the Government's response to the unions' getting pay increases of 10 rather than 5 per cent were to be to tighten monetary policy. If this is to be transmitted into a lower rate of price inflation it has to work in the long run by teaching unions that if they insist on taking increases in earnings above the levels which the growth in money supply allows companies to pay, their members will be out of a job.

But if they do learn this lesson, where is the need for incomes policy at all? And if the argument is that it helps them to learn the lesson quicker, why was the money supply target not reduced in order to underpin the 5 per cent limit rather than to replace it.

If, on the other hand, the Government takes the view that it can force cuts in wage settlements by cutting the level of demand in the economy, it is essentially accepting a view which implies a trade-off between inflation and unemployment which mere invocations of incomes policy cannot alter.

The problem is that the Government does not seem at all clear what it wants the unions and the rest of us to believe. Is it that the role of incomes policy is to cut the increase in money wages while leaving real wages for those in work intact? If this is the case, the policy reduces inflation and leaves unemployment unchanged.

But if the purpose is to cut the *real* wages of some people in work below what it would be under free collective bar-

Real wages

gaining, the prime effect is not on inflation but on the number of people out of work. Its task in persuading people is made harder by such apparently absurd statements as a 5 per cent increase in wages at a time when prices are going up 8 per cent will not mean a fall in living standards.

Nor is it helpful to suggest that if wages go up by more than 5 per cent, inflation will accelerate into double digits. Earnings will grow by more than 5 per cent in the present pay round, but if the growth can be kept in single figures, the Government will have cause to feel very pleased with itself.

Talking up the inflation rate, which earnings increases will produce, could have a backlash effect on negotiators.

The Government's problems in getting a reasonable result are further compounded by the rigidity with which they have talked about the 5 per cent policy, an act which has brought discredit on the whole notion of having any kind of single figure "norm".

If there is to be any kind of incomes policy at all, some sort of central figure will obviously have to be mentioned. Those who think otherwise ought to look at the latest Vauxhall pay claim where the workers are insisting that they do at least as well as the workers in Ford.

The Ford pay claim is justified on the grounds of the large profits the company is making; Vauxhall is making losses, but the workers there quite understandably show no willingness to accept a worsening of their position. In practice, there is a going rate for pay settlements and the variations are not that large.

There is great deal of difference between that point of view and believing that every single settlement has to be fought if there is even a centimetre of difference between it and the 5 per cent formula. There are anomalies which have to be corrected and the Government would do well to recognize this fact.

David Blake



At work in a Madras engineering plant; imports for the industry have been liberalized.

India's drive to strengthen its industry

Calcutta

With the introduction of a more liberal import policy, the Indian market for engineering goods is expected to expand steadily in the coming months. The Engineering Industries Association of Britain is to send a trade mission to the country next week. It will represent a wide range of industries, including transformers and switchgear, specialized electronic components and packaging machinery.

Britain's overall exports to India this year have increased sharply—from £135.5m in January-Jun 1977, to £152.2m in the corresponding months this year. But the exports of some major items of engineering goods have shown a decline.

Exports of non-electric machinery fell from £29.8m in the first six months of 1977, to £9.9m in the same period this year; electrical machinery and instruments dropped from £9.2m to £4m and there were falls for transport equipment other than road vehicles and non-ferrous metals. British exports of scientific and control instruments and of iron and steel went up, however.

The United States, West Germany and Japan have also been showing increased interest in selling their engineering goods to India.

Indian demand should increase in future months partly as a result of development schemes drawn up for agriculture, manufacturing industry, power and transport.

The cotton textile, jute and sugar industries and certain sections of engineering are being given loans on "soft" terms by the Indian Government to help them to modernize their machinery. The engineering industries which are eligible include agricultural tractors, commercial vehicles and cars, industrial sewing machinery and certain categories of machine tools.

The industries have to have been in existence for at least 10 years.

Engineering industries which are engaged in export are also being given liberal facilities to import spares, components and other items which are required to strengthen their competitive capacity in foreign markets.

The export of engineering goods has been picking up rapidly. In the first four months of financial year 1978-79 Indian exports of engineering goods went up by 18 per cent in value, to about 2,100m rupees (about £134m) from 1,770m rupees.

A recent survey conducted by the Association of Indian Engineering Industry, relating to performance between October, 1977, and March this year, with forecasts for April to September this year, indicates considerable buoyancy. The survey, similar to those conducted in

R. W. Venkateswaran

the United Kingdom by the Confederation of British Industry, covered firms in the metallurgical sector, heavy and light mechanical industries, industrial machinery and heavy and light electrical equipment.

Some 33 per cent of the respondents achieved capacity utilization of between 61 per cent and 80 per cent, and 23 per cent above 80 per cent, compared with 25 per cent and 24 per cent in October, 1977.

Since the association conducted its survey, there have been some encouraging developments which augur well for the future of the engineering industry. In April the government announced its import policy for the fiscal year ending on March 31, 1979. The policy substantially liberalized the import of machinery, components and spares.

Further liberalization has followed and import procedures have been simplified.

Export promotion is being given greater attention in view of the large trade deficit of 2,800m rupees (about £178.7m) in April-July this year, and more facilities are being offered for setting up joint ventures.

The government has decided to allow Indian companies to buy shares in existing marketing organizations in foreign countries. It believes that this approach will enable them to increase and diversify their exports.

The government has also agreed to consider favourably applications for collaboration in areas where the import of sophisticated technology is involved. For instance, the Central Industry Ministry has prepared a list of machine tools which are not in the indigenous manufacturing programmes.

The indigenous production of machine tools in 1976-77 was of the order of 1,160m rupees compared with 1,100m in the previous year.

Two major impediments to the vigorous growth of India's engineering industries have been the scarcity of power and industrial unrest. The power problem is now being tackled more energetically. The working of the state electricity boards is being toned up and and more funds have been allotted to enable them to implement quickly schemes to add to their capacity.

Factories have been allowed to import and install their own generating sets. The government of West Bengal has just announced a scheme to give industrial plants a subsidy of 25 per cent for installing generators.

This incentive, which is given to all new units and to existing ones which undertake schemes for substantial expansion will be available for three years from October 1, 1978.

In the country as a whole there has been a 14 per cent increase in power generation in the first three months of 1978-79, compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.

The government hopes to tackle the other problem—industrial unrest—by comprehensive industrial relations Bill which will be passed into law early next year. The Bill contains machinery for the speedy settlement of industrial disputes but, as at present drafted, it does nothing to deal with inter-union rivalry, one of the main causes of strikes and lock-outs.

DUPORT GROUP

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Points from the Report to Shareholders for six months ended 31 July 1978

- Results fell well short of those for the corresponding period last year but compare favourably with those of the six months to 31 January 1978.
- The market for engineering quality steels remained weak and margins continued to be under pressure.
- Dull trading conditions in the engineering sector were accentuated by a sharp reduction in demand from agricultural tractor manufacturers.
- Results from the domestic products sector were encouraging with losses on beds and furniture reduced substantially.
- The Board has declared an interim dividend of 2·03568 pence per share (1977 1·823 pence). This includes the proportion of the current maximum statutory increase attributable to the gross interim dividend. A supplementary interim dividend of 0·04047 pence per share is also being paid which relates to the year ended 31 January 1978 and results from the reduction in the rate of advance corporation tax.

	Six months to 31 July 1978 £'000	Six months to 31 July 1977 £'000	Full Year 1977/78 £'000
TURNOVER	101,228	96,848	195,587
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	3,241	4,383	7,385
TAXATION	1,190	813	1,775
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION	2,051	3,570	5,610
DIVIDENDS	894	777	1,905

- Whilst the results for the first half of the year are rather better than originally expected the outlook for the second half is now less encouraging. The immediate prospect is a continuation of depressed demand and margins for the Group's steel, the market for which is now showing further weakness, and for castings and forgings. Moreover, conditions are currently exacerbated by an industrial dispute affecting the plants of a major customer.

Although tangible cost benefits are beginning to emerge from the operation of the new steelworks and the recovery in the results of our domestic products interests is being maintained it is unlikely that these factors will fully offset the effect of a less favourable business climate.

In these circumstances results for the second half of the year are not expected to match those of the first half.

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Business Diary: Wheels of fortune • In shape

After less than a year in office, the new executive chairman of the Royal Automobile Club Sidney Lesser, is able to claim that his primary goal has been achieved.

Lesser, a lawyer who had been an RAC member for 17 years, headed an ad hoc committee of members who determined to rescue the club from its difficulties at a time when it was thought that the RAC club house in Pall Mall might have to be closed.

Lesser's vigorous attitude ensured his election as executive chairman last November when his predecessor, Sir Clive Bossom, announced that he would not be seeking reelection. Now he has been able to announce that the club house is saved.

The crisis began when Westminster City Council told the club last September that the building needed nearly £500,000 spent on it to conform with modern regulations. At that time it was losing money and membership had dwindled from 15,000 to 8,000.

Now Lesser and a rejuvenated board have pushed membership back up to 11,000, largely by introducing corporate memberships which enable firms to subscribe and nominate which of their employees they wish to have use of the club facilities.

By opening the club to members' wives, and spending £80,000 on building improvements, the new regime has also ensured that much more use is made of the club so that Lesser can now claim "what is potentially the best club in Europe ... on the road to ...".

At the same time the new broom is introducing a new management structure and a strong back-up team to the club's affairs.

The latest step in that direction is the appointment of Eric Charlts, at present director of services, to be chief executive of the RAC's associate section (the motoring membership), from next June.

■ Makers of blacktop road surfacing material have been having a bump ride.

The industry has shed some 12,000 jobs (about one in five) over the past four years because of cuts in the Government's road maintenance and construction programme. On top of that there has been some unwelcome publicity for its past price-fixing activities.

Soon to appear is the first government report on national road conditions, although Stuart Jardine, chairman of the employers' organization, the Asphalt and Coated Macadam Association, doubts whether the "pothole count" will reveal the true extent of the deterioration in Britain's roads.

"Anyone who uses them regularly will tell you that they are worse than they were and are getting worse still" he said.

Jardine is perhaps less suited than some to argue the ills of the industry. He is managing director of Wimpey Asphalt.

■ Potatoes, tomatoes, cucumbers and soft fruit are coming in commercial quantities from a transformer factory in Louth, Lincolnshire.

The crops are produced not by some chilling extension of electronics but by traditional methods, without the use even of artificial chemical fertilizers or pesticides.

Douglas Electronic Industries (no relation of the American aerospace firm) is owned and run by Douglas Chapman, a member of the British Vegetarian Society. He is "aghast at the indiscriminate use of chemical sprays and fertilizers" in the East Anglian countryside.

Douglas's market garden, covering 10 acres and with a 100ft by 20ft greenhouse, is in a built-up area of Louth on the banks of the River Lud.

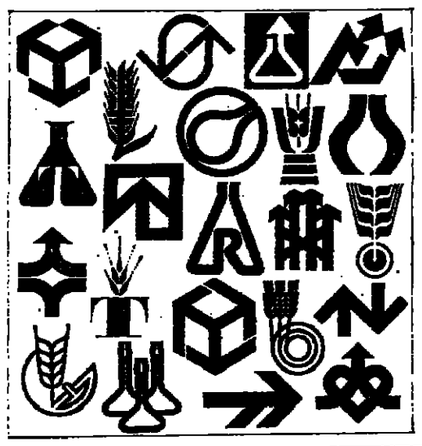
Chapman employs a full-time gardener and has negotiated exclusive rights to the manure output of a local pig farm. Factory supervisors take daily orders from the company's 80 workers for food at two-thirds market price. The rest is sold to the area's retailers.

■ The consumer protection service of the EEC has been sponsoring public meetings in the backwoods of the member states to explain to the ordinary people who live there what the Brussels bureaucrats are up to.

Hitherto the meetings have not been a marked success, but now the consumer movement has shown that it can take a leaf from the marketing industry's book.

For the latest meeting, which was in Sligo this weekend, it was decided that consumers simply do not appreciate anything offered free. So instead of admission to the meeting being free, the one-day seminar of £7 entrance fee was charged.

Result? The Sligo meeting had three times as many in the audience as any previous meeting. Europeanism could yet become a paying game.



According to graphic designer Wally Olins, corporate symbols like these (left) are "naive rubbish", the visual equivalent of the clichés in which big organizations think and speak.

Olins, a design consultant with offices in this country, France and Germany, says this and much more in The Corporate Personality, *an extremely funny and astringent book he has produced for the Design Council.*

"Why", he asks "are graphic designers churning out these symbols consisting of initial letters tormented into a bizarre shape and ending with an arrow, preferably pointing upwards and slightly to the right, indicative of progress, dynamism and a controlled but powerful thrust towards what is clearly a better and a brighter future?"

Olins, who works for many big firms, is good on the pressures that lead to this tripe being served up. I couldn't put a name to a single one of them, and nor could Olins when I spoke to him yesterday. I do have one design complaint about his otherwise excellent book—there's no index, and at £9.50 a copy, there should be.

Reader Philip Sargent of Cambridge University has sent me a booklet from the state-run Professional and Executive Recruitment service on Seeking your first career appointment. *You will get nowhere in filling in an application form, PER says, without "checking your spelling and grammer (sic)". Unless you're applying for a job with PER, of course.*

Ross Davies

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FINANCIAL NEWS

Building sector at last proves spur to UBM midterm advance

By Peter Wainwright

Only months ago UBM, the nationwide chain of builders' merchants, was glad to be known for its Ford main dealing. Understandably, the stress in yesterday's figures for the six months to August 31 was more on building than on motoring, and it was in fact building that sent pre-tax profits more than doubling from £1.59m on a sales gain of little more than a third to £126.4m.

UBM thinks of itself as a highly geared business in an industrial sense. Its overheads are large, but once an increase in business covers them, what is left is pure profit. Moreover the UBM management has been going through the entire concern, cutting costs wherever possible.

In the half year, an 11 per cent volume sales increase in builders' merchanting did the trick for profits. The Godfrey Motor Group, bought last month from Hodge, contributed £14m of sales and £360,000 of pre-tax profits.

The omens are good. Pre-tax margins in terms of sales are less than 3 per cent, and Mr Michael Phillips, chairman, remarks that "there still remain in the group companies which are not yet achieving satisfactory levels of profitability. These residual problems are progressively being resolved".

The home improvement boom to which UBM is orientated continues, and the outlook looks good until well into next year, winter weather permitting. After that a possible scarcity of building society money may cause problems. When that pens it will be seen whe UBM has conquered its t tional cyclicality.

Meanwhile it is bent widening margins more tow 1974's 6 per cent, and for second six months to next ruary, the group could e repeat the first half's £3.4m tax profit. If so, profits rise from 1977-78's £3.6m £6.8m for the full year.

Dividend increases are sc at UBM, so the market liked move to raise the interim by usual tenth to 1.96p net. 2.93p gross. The final sh go the same way. The sh rose 2p to 75p yesterday. Eq Capital for Industry has 11 cent of them; and Newarth; per cent. But, says U Newarthill regards its hol as a trade investment.

Trading offshoots aid Dawnay Day revival

by Ray Maughan

The resumption of dividends at the interim stage showed that Dawnay Day Group had advanced a considerable distance along the revival route and better than doubled annual profits of 12.18m at 30 June last presumes that the investment banking, unit trust and trading group is now firmly in a post-recovery phase.

Trading subsidiaries dominated with a £400,000 profits rise to £1.48m where foods, after a difficult time, and Studio Film Laboratories made much of the running.

But the Target Trust unit group is now making a strong contribution with profits of £257,000 against just £78,000 and, while Target Life Assurance is perhaps taking longer than expected to build up a profitable annual premium base, Dawnay Day has a clearly defined aim of turning insurance into a fourth successful operating arm.

Trading profits from investment banking revived sharply from a mere £56,000 to £760,000 when Dawnay Day is now making a reasonable 20 per cent return on deployed assets. The link between investment banking and trading operations is clear in that Dawnay Day is, at the right *time, usually a willing vendor* of stakes in developing manufacturing companies. Hence, since the year end, the 90 per cent holding in Sainsbury's of *Trowbridge has been sold to* Paul & Whites and the 69 per cent stake in cheese importer, Matthews & Skailes, was acquired by Adams Foods.

The aggregate cash consideration of £2.3m represents a "not immaterial" surplus on book values but the forthcoming balances sheet will already show low gearing, substantial unused facilities and thus a strong base for planned further development.

Further development will take in the expansion of life assurance and unit-linked activities and, while earlier ambitions to seek authorized banking status ar now very much a thing of the past, investment banking and its ties with trading company involvement will be enhanced. Across final dividend 1.8 66p per share lifts the total from 1.493p to 2.612p per share.

Unicorp quarter underlines its tight control of costs

By Michael Prest

Union Corporation's results for the quarter to end-September confirm its reputation as one of the tightest controllers of costs among South African mines. At the same time, the gold price received by both Unicorp and General Mining follows its strong performance in recent months, although the companies repeat earlier warnings that changes in the method of payment by Reserve Bank of South Africa for gold makes comparison with other periods misleading.

Only one of Unicorp's seven operating mines, Bracken, experienced a significant increase in working costs. By contrast, costs at Genmin's mines rose by about R3 a tonne, the only exception being South Roodeport. St Helena, in the Unicorp group, contained costs to R21.73 while improving the grade to 9.21 grammes/tonne.

Genmin's average gold prices were: Buffelsfontein $204.65; South Roodeport $198.98; Stilfontein $203.09; and West Rand $202.07

Buffels gold output of 6,932 kilogrammes includes 207 kilos from Stilfontein, but underground production was substantially higher in its own right than in the vious quarter. The Monarch ft at West Rand is finished and the reef horizon is being approached. West Rand also said spot sales of uranium this year will be at least the same as in 1977 since uranium recovery in the past three months was 9,730 kilos.

Average revenue per ounce at Unicorp's mines was: Bracken $210.41; Grootvlei $200.88; Kinross $207.33; Leslie $206.89; Marievale $186.71; St Helena $207.57; Winkelhaaj $203.06.

On the other side of the Indian Ocean in Australia the fate of base metal mines was less happy. At Hammersley, the iron ore mine 54 per cent owned by Conzinc Riotinto of Australia, itself 72.6 per cent controlled by Rio Tinto-Zinc, consolidate net earnings fell from A$46.4m for the first nine months of 1977 to A$12.9m for the same period of this year.

Earnings were adversely affected by lower sales revenue from a smaller tonnage exported, reduced prices, and the strength of the Australian dollar on the one hand, and by higher operating costs and provisions for exchange losses on the other.

The picture was slightly better at Bougainville Copper, this time 53.6 per cent-owned by CRA, which produced 53,000 tonnes in the last three months, 4,500 tonnes more than in the third quarter of 1977, making 151,301 tonnes for the full nine *months* instead of 131,134 tonnes.

But another mainly copper producer, MIM Holdings, suffered a fall in net earnings for the first nine months of A$3.8m to A$12m, despite sales volume being 9,000 tonnes higher at 40,166 tonnes. Silver was also up, while lead and zinc were steady.

Western Mining, a popular exploration stock in Australia, has recovered from a rough start to edge nickel output in the three months to mid-September up to 10,554 tonnes in concentrate, against 9,878 tonnes for the same period of 1977.

Further significant mineralization was detected at the Roxby Downs uranium deposit in South Australia.

*Meanwhile, Hudson Bay Min*ing of Canada has raised all its zinc prices by 3.25 cents a pound.

Mining

Gains in earning assets help Continental Illinois

Continental Illinois Corporation turns in record third-quarter income of $41.1m before security transactions, a rise of 26 per cent over 1977. Net income was $40.8m compared with $32.4m.

Income before security transaction now totals $121m against $102.3m last year while net income increased from $102.3m to $120.6m. This increase is attributed for both the third quarter and the nine months to higher net interest income which reflected gains in the volume of earning assets and net interest margins and also to greater income from non-interest sources.

International

Directors raise stake in Sterling Credit

Mr G. F. K. Morgan, chairman of Sterling Credit Group, and one of his fellow directors, Mr J. C. M. Biles, have increased their stake in the group buying the 9.2 per cent holding owned by Bankers Trust International. Mr Morgan has bought 36,000 shares while Mr Biles bought the remaining 524,000. Both directors paid 17.8p a share cum rights and as a result their interest in Sterling now stands at 18.5 and 18.3 per cent respectively.

Meanwhile, Mr J. R. Harrold, a director of Bankers Trust, is to remain on the board of Sterling.

Honeywell's buoyant third quarter

A strong all-round performance lifted earnings of Honeywell Inc, the US computer group, from $36m to $45.9m or $2.15 against $1.70 for the third quarter to September 30. Mr Edson Spencer, chairman, said the outlook for the rest of 1978 remains positive and he expects to enter 1979 with excellent backlogs and order rates.

World-wide sales, rental and service revenues in the third quarter increased $711.5m in 1977 to $864.8m in 1978. Earnings increased from $96.5m to $125.3m while earnings a share are $5.87 against $4.58.

Margins tighten at Kalamazoo

The group's policy of keep down prices has squeezed n gins at Kalamazoo, the busir and office systems group, *profits for the year to Augu* are 12.9 per cent up at £3. before tax and the Kalama Workers Alliance bonus. Sa went up 19 per cent to £21.4

The dividend is raised fr 2.66p to 3.22p gross, while ea ings a share are 4.7p agai 4.1p.

The group's computer serv activities continued to expa and over the year contribut 23 per cent of profits, co pared with 20 per cent. A si sidiary, Kalamazoo Finance H been set up to provide a ren alternative to the outright sa of the group's equipment.

At the same time the group *taking a hard look at the mic* computer field and plans market a range of systems usi silicon chip technology.

Energy, Finance's £500,000 cash call

Energy, Finance & Gener *Trust proposes to raise abou* £500,000.

Subject to shareholder approval, Scottish Northern I vestment Trust will subscrib for 900,000 new ordinary at 28 a share—£252,000. At the sam time a rights issue to existin shareholders of 882,000 nev ordinary at 28p per share—£247,000—will be underwritter by London Trust. As part of the the underwriting arrangement, Moorside Trust has agreed to subscribe up to £100,000 for shares not taken up by existing shareholders. London Trust will continue to hold not less than 14.72 per cent of the enlarged capital.

Owens-Illinois recoup in US

Sales of Owens-Illinois, whic jointly owns United Glass, fo the third quarter rose fro $726.1m to $788.1m while ear ings went up from $23.8m ($ cents a share) to $27.5m ($ cents a share).

This leaves sales for the nin months some $21m ahead $2,300m and earnings of $79.6 against $74.4m or $2.70 cor pared with $2.53m. Generall domestic operations continue to improve in the third quart but international operatio were affected by fluctuati exchange rates. However, still expects earnings for t current year to exceed those last time.

Shake-up on board at Rohan Group

Changes on the board under way at Rohan Group Cork-based system builder estate developer. Mr. Andre Gallagher and Mr Patrick G lagher are resigning from board, and Mr Patrick Gall her's near-32 per cent stake Rohan is taking 7.3 per cent being split up. Mr Kenn giving him a holding of 29.9 cent, while a number of Uni Kingdom institutions are tak a total of 24.5 per cent.

Westminster Props back to dividends

Dividends have been resto at Westminster & Coun Properties with a payment 1.49p for the year to April The last payment was 2.07p 1974.

A loss of £207,000 has b turned into a profit of £130,4 after tax credits of £18,0 against £21,000. This achieved on turnover up fr £2.67m to £3.19m. The gro reports earnings a share of 3 against a loss of 6.6p.

EASTMAN KODAK

Record sales and earnings pected for 1978 due to extraord ary demand for cameras.

Options

Any activity that was evide on the traded options mar yesterday was centred arou British Petroleum which m up 88 of the total number 407 contracts completed.

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In the meantime, the sp was much the same in the co ventional options market whe calls were made in the recent re-introduced Ferranti and English Property Corporati which has been popular several weeks now.

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In equities most leader stock drifted lower with GEC at 318p losing 6p, ICI slipping 5p to 387p and Glaxo at 565p and Beecham at 685p shedding 8p. Unilever eased 6p to 542p while BAT at 288p and Dunlop at 73p lost 2p and John Brown ended 4p lower at 448.

GKN at 266p held steady on the day while Tubes at 378p managed a gain of 2p and Babcock, where there was some investment buying rose 4p to 155p.

In stores, Marks & Spencer held steady at 86p following comment on Tuesday's half-timer while British Home Stores kept the market in suspense with interim figures being declared later than expected.

A near 25 per cent profits growth was deemed satisfactory and the shares ended 3p higher at 212p. GUS 'A' lost 4p to 310p following a strong rise earlier in the week, while Burton 'A' were unmoved on the day at 173p. Mothercare, with results next week shed 2p to 168p.

A £2m right issue accompanying half time figures and the promise of a boosted annual dividend was good enough to add 2p to Time Products at 201p while bumper results from Brown & Jackson gave the shares a 6p jump to 266p.

Other groups to benefit from trading news were Marshall's Universal, 4p higher at 148p, Farm Feeds at 75p adding a similar amount, and United Builders climbing 3p to 75p. C. H. Bailey with late results, firmed ½p to 7½p.

Elsewhere in shipping Furness Withy continued to be encouraged by its results, firming 2p to 242p and taking European Ferries a penny better to 130p.

A return to profits and the dividend list added 6½p to Westminster & Country at 29p but profit taking trimmed 3p off from Regalian at 21p.

Midland Education spurted ahead to 247p before settling down at 237p, a net rise of 8p on the day, following news of another bid, this time from Preedy, which eased 2p to 82p before reverting to unchanged at 84p. The other suitors Pentos at 99p and Lonsdale Universal at 87p marked time on the day.

Bambergers climbed another 5p to 83p on hopes of a counter to the International Timber offer. It firmed a penny to 130p while Montague L. Meyer, tipped as the potential bidder, held steady at 92p.

Elsewhere on the bid scene Dawson International at 209p shed a penny on an absence of news, while William Baird lost a similar amount to 181p and Haggas went a penny better to 147p.

Stockbrokers James Capel are leading "bulls" of platinum shares Bishopsgate and Rustenburg, and rumoured heavy buying by them earlier this week pushed the price to new "highs". But after opening at 106p *and* 110p *respectively yesterday, the stocks fell back when big orders dried up. They recovered, however, to* 99p *and* 104p *and after this technical adjustment look like going further. If Rustenburg's producer-price goes up from* $260 *to* $300, *dividends would probably double to* 40 *cents.*

Equity turnover on October 17 was £69.8m (14,998 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were BP, Shell, ICI, GUS "A", Marks & Spencer, Hk Shanghai Bank, De Beers, EMI, BAT dfd, Boots, Beecham, Barclays, Lloyds, RTZ, Distillers, Royal Insurance, Commercial Union, MAMS and Reed International.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
C. H. Bailey (F)	9.4(10.5)	0.65(0.17)	1.28(0.35)	0.23(0.21)	—	0.23(0.21)
Brit Home Stores (I)b	133.6(110.1)	10.4(8.4)	—(—)	3.1(2.8)	1/79	—(—)
City of Oxford Inv (I)	—(—)	0.12(0.10)	2.0(1.6)	1.25(1.0)	11/12	—(—)
Dawnay Day (F)	—(—)	2.1(0.95)	6.7(2.7)	1.25(1.0)	23/11	1.7(1.0)
Duport (I)	101.2(96.8)	3.2(4.3)	4.9(9.5)	2.0(1.8)	15/12	—(—)
Farm Feed Hldgs (I)	3.9(4.0)	0.19(0.03a)	—(—)	1.34(Nil)	1/12	—(—)
Harrison & Sons (I)	9.7(8.8)	0.10(0.13)	—(—)	1.48(1.48)	1/12	—(—)
Jessel, Toynbee (I)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	0.87(0.87)	14/11	—(—)
Kalamazoo (F)	21.4(18.0)	3.7(3.2)	4.7(4.1)	1.23(1.11)	6/12	2.1(1.9)
Marshall's Univ (I)	27.8(24.8)	2.0(1.8)	17.5(17.3)	3.4(3.7)	8/12	—(—)
Medminster (F)	—(—)	0.20(0.13)	4.1(2.6)	1.1(1.0)	7/12	2.0(1.8)
Secs Trst, Scot (I)	—(—)	1.1(1.0)	3.6(3.0)	3.0(2.2)	11/12	—(—)
Sun Life Ass (I)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	1.76(1.71)	29/12	—(—)
Time Products (F)	12.5(10.4)	1.6(1.4)	—(—)	0.48(0.43)	—	5.2(1.6)
UBM Group (I)	126.4(93.2)	3.3(1.5)	—(—)	1.9(1.7)	1/79	—(—)
Webster Publctns (I)	—(—)	0.23(0.16)	—(—)	0.6(0.53)	15/12	—(—)
Westpool Invest (I)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	1.2(1.0)	15/12	—(—)
Wilmot Breeden (I)	51.7(45.9)	1.8(2.8)	1.3(6.2)	1.3(6.2)	1/79	—(—)
Viking Resources (I)	—(—)	0.165(0.162)	1.03(1.01)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Wstmnstr & Cntry (F)	3.1(2.6)	0.14(0.22a)	3.9(6.6a)			

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.49. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. a Loss. b 24 weeks.

Third suitor turns up for Midland Educational

By Peter Wainwright

A third suitor has jostled his way to the front of the queue outside the doors of Midland Educational, the Birmingham-based bookseller and stationer. This is Alfred Preedy, the tobacco, sweets, books and magazine wholesaler and retailer, a group with a market value of around £6.6m at 84p, unchanged yesterday.

It is bidding around £3.8m for Midland, £3.3m through an offer of one of its own shares and 387p cash for every two units in Midlands, and the rest through 65p cash for every £1 preference share. So the equity offer is worth 235p a share.

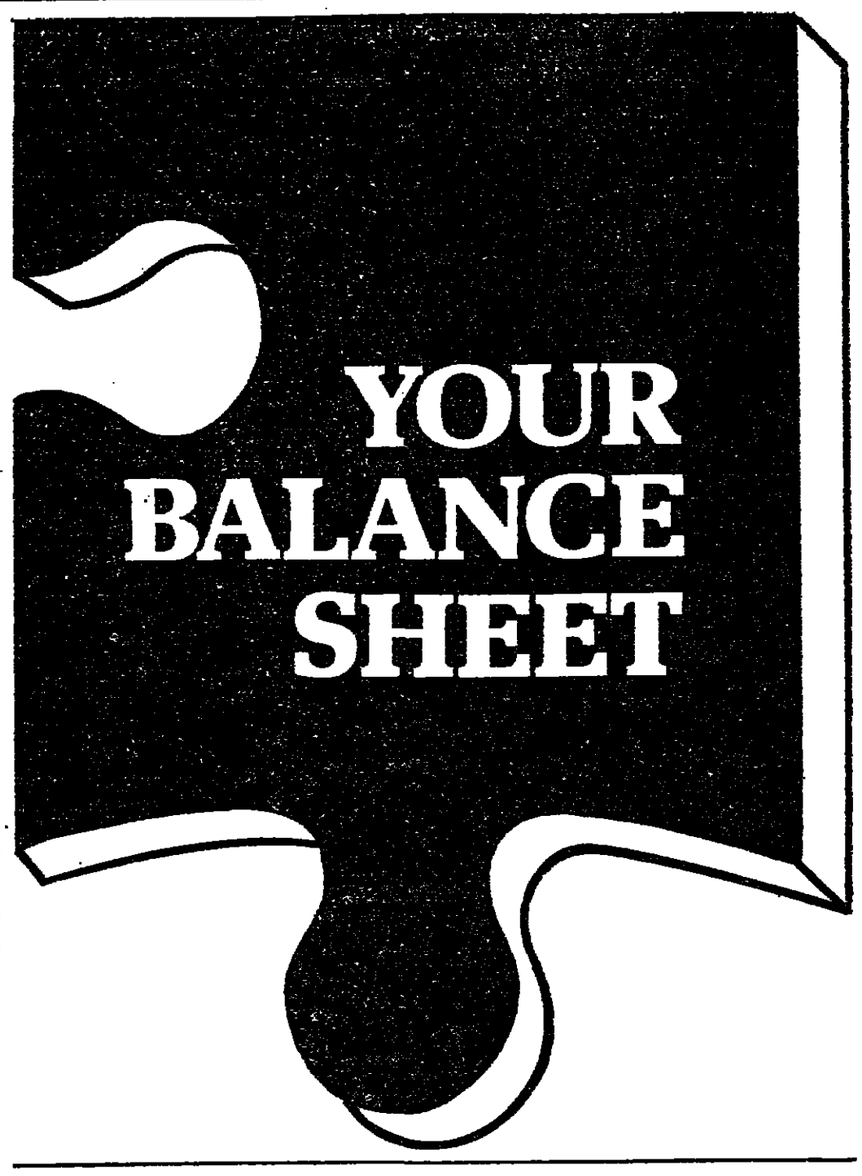
The auction for Midland started earlier this month when Pentos offered 150p cash for the ordinary shares, only to be swamped by Lonsdale Universal with a 217p bid in both shares and cash. That was dismissed as "inadequate and unacceptable". Only the preference shareholders have missed the fun—Preedy is offering no more than Pentos did in the beginning.

The latest offer has a key condition. This is that it is "subject to their being recommended by the board of MECO" which with allies may be able to muster up to 37 per cent of MECO's shares.

One trade source estimates that Midland's pre-tax profits this year will rise from £400,000 to around £500,000. On this sort of estimate, Pentos to name but one suitor considers it unlikely that it will come back with a new bid.

Talbex-Hoskins thrust and parry

The thrust and parry between the Talbex Group and Hoskins & Horton is unusual in that Talbex has not yet placed any bid on the table. But the manoeuvrings go on. The latest letter from Talbex to its own shareholders, countering this week's missive from Hoskins, emphasizes that Talbex "will only consider making an offer if the terms are, in the opinion of directors, in the best interests of Talbex and if the resolution is passed at the forthcoming extraordinary meeting". The Talbex camp expresses "surprise" that Hoskins should wish to deny its shareholders an opportunity to decide a bid on its merits but the riposte makes no reference to the opposition of the Hoskins' employees and the underwriting position of Talbex's major shareholder, Arroc.



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Ford strike duration key to Wilmot Breeden recovery

By Richard Allen

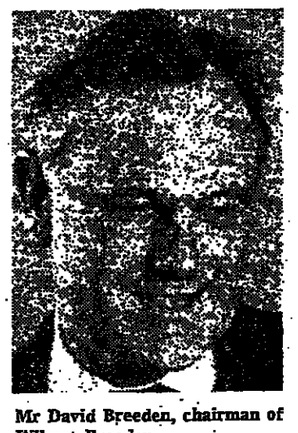
Rationalization at Wilmot Breeden has helped slash the motor components group's profits by more than a third to £1.8m in the six months to June 30.

The group's hopes of a second-half recovery in margins and profits are now heavily *dependent on the length of the* current shutdown at Ford.

The first-half downturn is due mainly to redundancy and reorganization costs of £800,000, which the group has decided to charge as an ordinary trading expense, "in view of the present uncertainties surrounding the United Kingdom motor industry".

Wilmot estimates that by the end of the year costs or reorganization will have risen to around £1.3m reflecting the loss of nearly 500 jobs. The result, however, should be that even a modest recovery of demand in the United Kingdom and Australia will radically improve the prospects of a slimmer more effective group.

I nthe first-half, however, both the United Kingdom and Australian motor components operations have been hard hit by reduced demand as a result of strikes, model changes and the closure of the Leyland Speke plant.



Mr David Breeden, chairman of Wilmot Breeden.

Meanwhile the Telehoist, hydraulics division has had to suffer strikes at Leyland Bathgate, Chrysler Dodge and now Ford at a time when a cessation of imports to Nigeria has meant a radical reduction in output.

On the brighter side more stable conditions in Europe have led to good results from France, Spain and Italy, while profits have recovered well in the electronics division.

Truflo fan sales have increased despite weak demand from the aerospace and petrochemical industries and the group says that incoming orders are now running at a high level.

Reorganization and high capital spending are putting pressure on borrowings but the group hopes to restrain the gearing ratio to around 40 per cent at the end of this year.

Reflecting the current caution the interim dividend is maintained at 1.79p gross. Last year the group's profits dipped from £6.2m to £5.7m.

Late upturn on cards at Marshall's

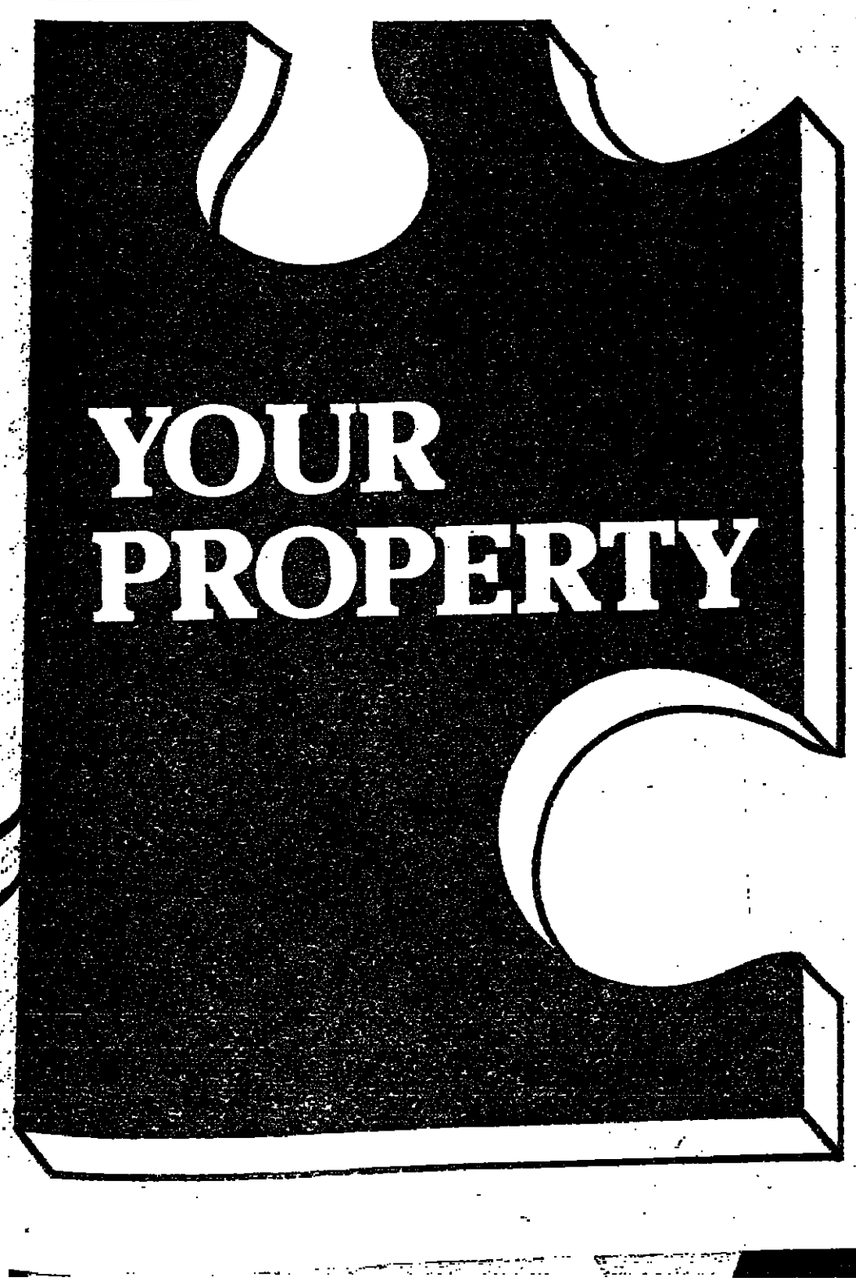
After a £3m sales rise to £27.85m in the six months to 30 June, profits from Peugeot distributor, Marshall's Universal, look somewhat flat on an 11.7 per cent pre-tax rise to £2.04m but the shares climbed 4p yesterday to 148p on anticipation of a considerable second half improvement.

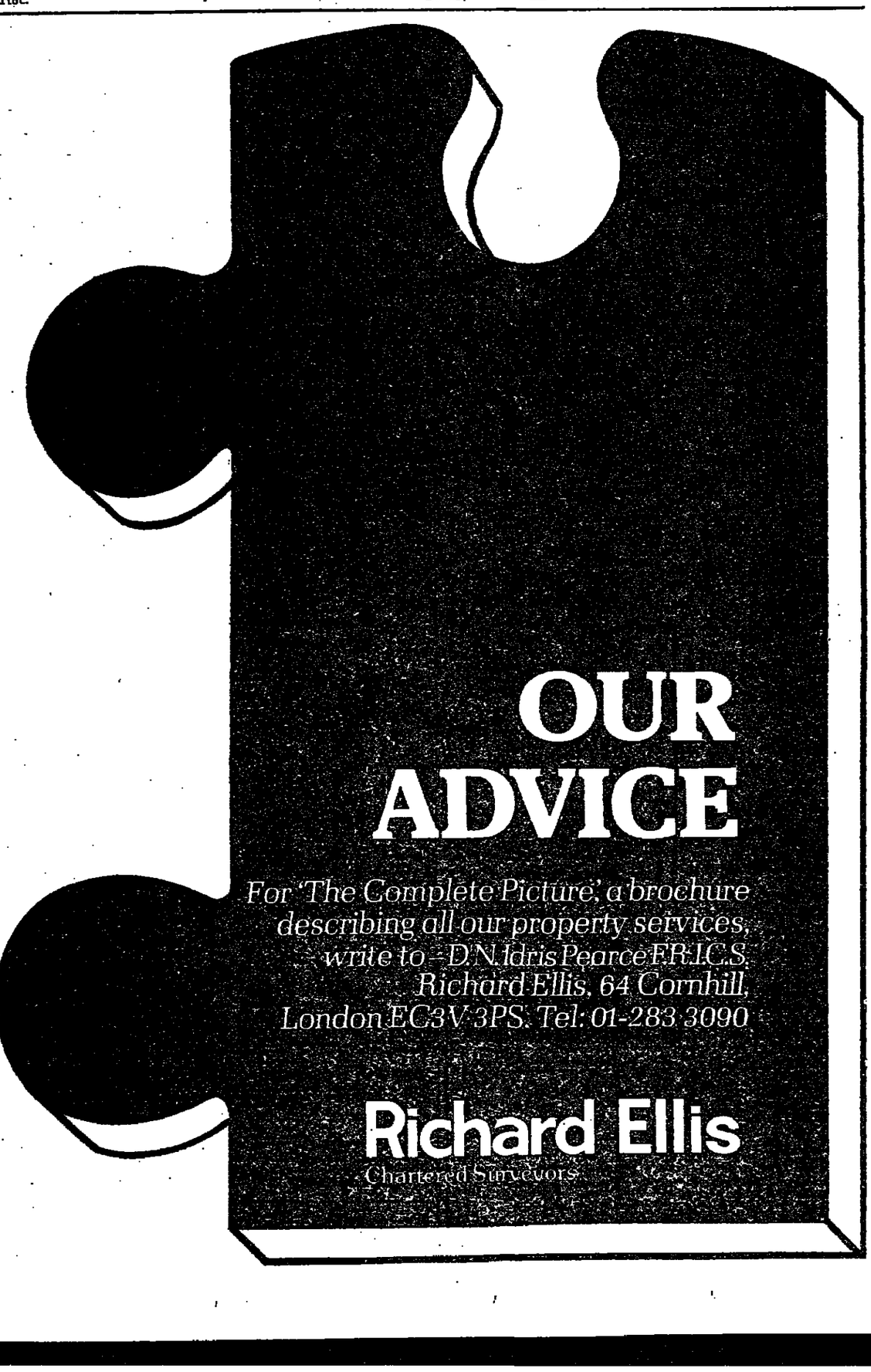
Domestic distribution profits were held back by the setting up costs of the recently *acquired branch in Hove, Sussex*, and the contribution from Kenya was also slightly down. Tanzanian operations improved but, unlike last year, when Marshall's used up its entire import quota in the first six months, the second half this time looks likely o be undisurbed by import controls.

While the United Kingdom paper and board activities were blighted by a setback throughout the industry coupled with the costs of establishing a new ware house, profits from vehicle distribution in the nine Home Counties outside London look set fair for a strong improvement.

Peugeot had 1.9 per cent of the British private vehicle market in the first six months of the year but the successful introduction of its 305 model at the end of May, has done wonders for market penetration. The group's share of the market within its franchise areas was 2.8 per cent in August and soared to an unprecedented 5 per cent in the following month. Marshall's seriously doubts Peugeot's ability to hold on to that slice of the market but the Chrysler affair has added not unwelcome publicity to the French manufacturer's operations and it will be interesting to see whether Marshall's decides to move outside its current Home Counties distribution base.

The net interim dividend is hoisted from the equivalent of 3.125p to 3.4896p per share after adjusted nil fully taxed earnings of 17.57p against 17.34p per share.





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Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

US STRAIGHTS ($)	Bid	Offer
Australia 8 1982	96¾	96¼
Austria 8½ 1990	98¾	99
Avco 9¼ 1985	98	96½
Barclays 8½ 1982	94¼	94¾
Beatrice 7½ 1985	95¾	95¾
Canadair 8½ 1983	96¾	96¾
Canada Nat Railway 8½ 1986	94¾	95¾
CECA 9 1995	98¾	99¾
Charbonnage de France 8½ 1981	97¼	98¼
Citicorp 6¾ 1980	95	95½
Citicorp 7 1981	93¾	94¼
DFC New Zealand 8½ 1983	95¾	95¾
DFC New Zealand 8¾ 1985	96¼	95¾
Dow Chemical 8 1986	94¼	94¾
EEC 7¾ 1979	97¾	98¾
EEC 8¾ 1982	96¼	96¾
EIB 8 1984	94	94¼
EIB 9¼ 1985	98½	99
Elf-Aquitaine 8¾ 1985	93¾	94
Eurofima 8½ 1988	95¾	96½
IC Industries 9 1985	96¾	97¼
ITCL 9¾ 1988	97¼	97¾
IU 9¾ 1987	94¾	95¼
Macmillan Bloedel 9¾ 1993	97¼	97¾
Midland Bank 8¾ 1992	96¼	96¾
NCB 8 1987	92¼	93
National Westminster 9 1986	100	100½
New Zealand Forest Products 9 1986	97½	98
Newfoundland 9¾ 1990	98¼	99
Nordic Invest Bank 8¾ 1983	97¼	97¾
Norsk Hydro 7¾ 1982	94¾	95¼
Norway 7¾ 1983	94¾	95¼
Offshore Mining 8¾ 1985	94¼	94¾
Occidental 9¾ 1983	95¾	95¾
J. C. Penney 8¾ 1985	97¼	98
Quebec Hydro 9½ 1993	97¼	98¼
Renault 8¾ 1981	98¼	99¼
R. J. Reynolds 7½ 1983	97	97½
Shell 8½ 1990	93¾	93¾
Tauernautobahn 8½ 1987	93¼	93¾
CANADIAN DOLLARS		
Avco 9½ 1982	96¾	97¼
Ford 8½ 1983	93¼	93¾
General Motors 9¾ 1983	95	95½
Royal Bank of Canada 9 1992	94¼	95¼
Union Carbide 9¾ 1986	97	97½
FLOATING RATE NOTES		
Chase Manhattan 9 13.16 1993	97¼	98
Intl Westminster 8 1984	99¼	99¾
Midland 9 7.16 1993	97¾	98¼
Offshore Mining 9 7.16 1986	98¼	98¾
Williams & Glyns 9¼ 1984	99¼	99¾
US $ CONVERTIBLES		
American Express 4¼ 1987	78½	80
Babcock & Wilcox 7 1992	130¼	131½
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	96½	98
Beatrice Foods 4¾ 1992	113	113½
Beecham 6¾ 1992	113¾	113¾
Boots 6¾ 1993	98¼	99¼
Borden 5 1992	95¾	97
Broadway Hale 4¾ 1987	73½	75
Carnation 5 1988	75	76½
Dart 4¾ 1987	80	81½
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	82½	84
Economic Labs 4¾ 1987	77	78½
Firestone 5 1988	74	75½
Ford 5 1988	81	82½
General Electric 4¾ 1987	81½	83
Gillette 4¾ 1987	74	75½
Gulf & Western 5 1988	86½	88
Harris 5 1992	228	230
Honeywell 6 1986	83½	87
ICI 6¾ 1992	97	98
INA 6 1997	97	98
ITT 4½ 1987	76	77½
Jusco 5 1992	134½	135½
Komatsu 7½ 1990	174½	176
J. Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	158	160
Nabisco 5½ 1988	105	106½
Owens Illinois 4½ 1987	113½	115
J. C. Penney 4¾ 1987	73½	75
Revlon 4¾ 1987	129½	131
Reynolds Metal 5 1988	89	90½
Sperry Rand 4¾ 1987	94½	96
Squibb 4¾ 1987	79	80½
Texaco 4¾ 1988	73	74½
Texas Int Airlines 7¾ 1993	90½	91½
Toshiba 6¾ 1992	146½	147½
Trco 8¾ 1988	102½	103½
Union Carbide 4¾ 1982	87	88½
Warner Lambert 4½ 1987	78½	80
Warner Lambert 4¾ 1988	73	74½
Xerox 5 1988	72½	74

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

Briefly

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE
Half-year dividend of 2.6p gross (2.5p gross). Following consultation with Treasury it appears unlikely that any further dividends will be declared for this year.

SECURITIES TRUST OF SCOTLAND
Pre-tax income for six months to September 30, £1.1m (£1.0m). Earnings a share, 3.6p (3.0p). Interim dividend 4.47p gross (3.35p gross).

FARM FEED HOLDINGS
Turnover for half year to July 31, £3.9m (£4.0m). Pre-tax profit £198,600 (£41,900). Interim dividend is 1.99p gross (nil).

HARRISON & SONS
Turnover for six months to June 30, £9.7m (£8.8m). Pre-tax profit, £103,000 (£130,000). Interim dividend is 2.2p gross (same). Trading at most factories has been satisfactory and shown the progress planned.

CITY OF OXFORD INV TRST
Pre-tax profit for six months to September 9, £126,500 (£107,900). Earnings a share, 2.02p (1.69p). Interim dividend is 1.86p gross (1.49p gross).

ST GEORGE ASSETS
Interim dividend unchanged at 0.22p for year to December 31, to be paid on December 11.

MERGER CLEARANCE
Secretary for Prices and Consumer Protection is not to refer projected merger of Legal & General Assurance Society and Glanfield Secs to Monopolies Commission.

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Audiotronic 12% Cum Prf (10)	12
Bristol Wtr 7% Pf 1983 (£3)	£10
Camden 12¾% Red 1985 (£50 pd)	£49¾
Carters Superfoods 20p Ord (53)	56
Croda Dfd Ord	32
Dufay 10¾% Cnv	£100
Ferranti 50p Ord (101)	375
Do 50p (101)	275
Hunting Petroleum Serv 25p Ord (63)	96
Rightwise 10p Ord	115
Do 10% Cnv (£100)	115
Southwark 12¾% 1987 (£99)	£7¾
W Kent Wtr 7% Pf 1983 (£97¾)	19¾

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	
Asbury and Midley (30)		34 prem

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £30 paid. c £15 paid. d £50 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. g £35 paid.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	10%
Barclays Bank	10%
BCCI Bank	10%
Consolidated Crdts	10%
C. Hoare & Co	*10%
Lloyds Bank	10%
London Mercantile	10%
Midland Bank	10%
Nat Westminster	10%
Rossminster	10%
TSB	10%
Williams and Glyn's	10%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 6½%, up to £25,000, 7¼%, over £25,000, 7¾%.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977-78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div(p)	Yld %	P/E
79	29	Airsprung Ord	76	−2	5.5	7.2	10.0
215	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	215	—	18.5	8.6	—
46	25	Armitage & Rhodes	43	−1	3.6	8.3	7.8
182	105	Bardon Hill	182	—	12.0	6.5	9.9
143	51	Deborah Ord	139	—	5.6	4.0	8.6
242	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	242	—	17.5	7.2	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	132	—	12.4	9.3	5.2
154	135	George Blair	154	—	15.0	9.7	5.7
60	36	Jackson Group	60	—	5.0	8.3	7.0
116	55	James Burrough	116	—	6.5	5.6	10.7
340	188	Robert Jenkins	308	—	29.7	9.6	5.1
24	9	Twinlock Ord	22	—	—	—	19.6
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	76xd	—	12.0	15.7	—
98	54	Unilock Holdings	98	+1	7.4	7.5	10.5
122	67	Walter Alexander	120	—	7.2	6.0	7.4

Commodities

COPPER bars were barely steady: cathodes idle.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £747-48 a metric ton; three months, £768.50-69. Sales, 3,000 tons. Cash cathodes, £735.50-37; three months, £751-58.00. Sales, nil. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £751-51.50; three months, £772.50-73. Settlement, £751.50. Sales, 4,600 tons. Cash cathodes, £739.50-40.50; three months, £761-61.50. Settlement, £740.50. Sales, 2,100 tons (mainly carries).

SILVER was easier.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 299.8p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 598.9); three months, 307.5p (609.2c); six months, 316.00p (620.7c); one year, 332.8p (645.4c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 298.5-8.8; three months, 306.5-6.5p. Sales, 81 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each (mainly carries). Morning.—Cash, 300.1-300.6p; three months, 308.1-8.2p. Settlement, 300.6p. Sales, 210 lots (mainly carries).

TIN.—Standard metal closed steady: high-grade was idle.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £7,730-50 a metric ton; three months, £7,550-55. Sales, 1,010 tons (mainly carries). High grade, cash, £7,750-50; three months, £7,770-90. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £7,735-40; three months, £7,555-60. Settlement, £7,740. Sales, 610 tons (mainly carries). High grade, cash, £7,735-40; three months, £7,575-90. Settlement, £7,740. Sales, 80 tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M1,950 a picul.

LEAD was easy.—Afternoon.—Cash, £378.50-79.50 per metric ton; three months, £384.50-85.50. Sales, 3,150 tons. Morning.—Cash, £403-10.00; three months, £395-96.00. Settlement, £410.00. Sales, 2,000 tons.

ZINC closed easy.—Afternoon.—Cash, £345-47 a metric ton; three months, £356.50-57.00. Sales 1,600 tons. Morning.—Cash, £350-50.50; three months, £361-61.50. Settlement, £350.50. Sales, 1,700 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £172.90 ($345) a troy ounce.

ALUMINIUM was quiet.—Afternoon.—Three months, £5.94.50-93 a metric ton. Sales 300 tons. Morning.—Three months, £596.50-97.0; Sales, 900 tons.

RUBBER was uncertain after being easy (pence per kilo).—Nov 59.70-59.80; Dec 60.50-60.70; Jan-March 63.05-63.10; April-June 64.65-64.70; July-Sept 67.00-67.05; Oct-Dec 69.00-69.10; Jan-March 71.00-71.10; April-June 73.05-73.20; July-Sept 75.10-75.20.—Sales: 112 at five tonnes; 646 at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS closed easier.—Spot: 59.50-60.30; Cifs: Nov, 60.50-60.60; Dec, 61.50-62.00.

COFFEE: Robustas were steady: Arabicas were dull.—

ROBUSTAS (£ per metric ton): Nov, 1,650-51; Jan, 1,543-44; March, 1,443-46; May, 1,375-85; July, 1,355-45; Sept, 1,315-20; Nov, 1,280-1,315. Sales: 4,059 lots including 18 options.

ARABICAS ($ per 50 kilos): All unquoted.

COCOA was firm (£ per metric ton).—Dec, 1,917.0-19.0; March, 1,943.0-44.0; May, 1,958.0-59.0; July, 1,963.0-65.0; Sept, 1,956.0-60.0; Dec, 1,920.0-24.0; March, 1,895.0-1,906.5. Sales: 3,281 lots including 5 options. ICCO prices: daily, 166.89c; 15-day average, 169.10c; 22-day average, 170.57c. (US cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was £1.00 higher at £108; the "whites" price was unchanged at £113.50. Futures were easier.—Dec, 111.50-11.50; March, 114.25-14.35; May, 116.25-16.45; Aug, 118.50-18.50; Oct, 120.75-21.25; Dec, 123.50-24.25; March, 127.00-29.50. Sales: 3,373 lots. ISA prices: 8.69c; 15-day average, 8.94c. White sugar was quiet. Feb 119.25-19.75; April 121.25-21.50; July 126.00-26.50; Sept 130.00-31.00; Nov 134.00-36.00; Feb 134.50-40.00; April 142.00-47.00. Sales: 207 lots.

SOYABEAN MEAL was quiet and slightly easier.—Oct Byr Unq.—Slr 125.00; Dec 120.00-20.10; Feb 121.50-21.70; April 121.70-22.10; June 122.50-23.00; Aug 122.50-23.80; Oct 122.50-23.00. Sales: 103 lots.

JUTE was steady.—Bangladesh white "C" grade, Oct-Nov, $516 per long ton. "D" grade, Oct-Nov, $500.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT.**—Canadian west red spring No 1, 13½ per cent, Oct, £94.55 Tilbury. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent, Oct, £85.55; Nov, £86.55; Dec, £88.30; transhipment east coast. **MAIZE.**—South African white, Nov-Dec, £64.50 UK. South African yellow, Nov-Dec, £64.50 UK. **BARLEY.**—English feed, fob, Nov, £83.50.—All per tonne, cif UK unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—**BARLEY** was slightly easier.—Nov, £80.35; Jan, £83.15; March, £85.40; May, £87.60. Sales, 115 lots. **WHEAT** was steady.—Nov, £88.30; Jan, £90.80; March, £93.00; May, £95.00. Sales, 93 lots.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority.—Location ex-farm spot prices.—

	Other Milling WHEAT	Feed WHEAT	Feed BARLEY
Shropshire	£85.80	£85.70	£76.40
Essex	—	£84.00	£77.20

The UK monetary coefficient for the week beginning Monday, October 23 (based on HGCA calculations) is expected to remain unchanged.

Meat Commission: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 18.—**GB:** Cattle, 66.78p per kglw (+0.15). **UK:** Sheep, 150.2p per kgestdcw (−2.2). **GB:** Pigs, 65.1p per kglw (−0.2). *England and Wales:* Cattle numbers up 1.5 per cent, average price 66.28p (+0.09). Sheep numbers down 22.0 per cent, average price 150.7p (−3.5). Pig numbers down 8.9 per cent, average price 65.1p (−0.2). **Scotland:** Cattle numbers up 37.8 per cent, average price 68.25p (−0.15). Sheep numbers down 40.6 per cent, average price 124.5p (−0.4). Pig numbers up 13.5 per cent, average price 66.4p (+2.0).

Wall Street

New York, Oct 18.—Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed sharply lower over a wide range for the third straight session.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed 6.67 points down to 859.67. The market has now fallen 37.42 points in the last three sessions.

About 1,220 issues declined with some 285 higher on volume of 33,140,000 shares.

Rising interest rates were the centre of attention on Wall Street. Following an increase in its discount rate to a record 8½ per cent from 8 per cent last Friday.

Silver dips 2.20 cents

New York, Oct 18.—**COMEX SILVER** futures slipped to new lows for the week with nearby December reaching 595.90 cents when the market failed for the second day to strike new contract highs. Local short covering near the finish rallied prices 2.00 cents from the bottom. Closing losses averaged 2.20 cents. Oct, 589.60c; Nov, 592.50c; Dec, 596.50c; Jan, 600.70c; March, 608.80c; May, 617.10c; July, 625.70c; Sept, 634.50c; Dec, 648.40c; Jan, 653.00c; March, 662.50c; May, 672.10c; July, 681.80c. Handy and Harman, 593.50c (previous 594.00c). Handy and Harman of Canada, Can $7.022 (previous Can $7.025).

GOLD futures were: NY COMEX.—Oct, $228.60; Nov, $229.50; Dec, $230.90; Feb, $234.60; April, $238.50; June, $243.10; Aug, $245.90; Oct, $249.70; Dec, $253.70; Feb, $257.70; April, $261.90; June, $266.10; Aug, $270.40. CHICAGO IMM. Oct, $223.50; Dec, $231.10-$230.80; March, $236.60-$236.20; June, $242.30; Sept, $248.00; Dec, $253.50; March, $259.50; June, $264.80 asked; Sept, $271.00 asked.

COPPER futures closed barely steady between 70 and 45 points down. Oct, 66.40c; Nov, 66.70c; Dec, 67.25c; Jan, 67.80c; March, 68.93c; May, 69.45c; July, 70.90c; Sept, 71.63c; Dec, 72.65c; Jan, 73.05c; March, 73.80c; May, 74.35c; July, 75.30c.

SUGAR futures in No 11 contract were: Jan, 8.60-85c; March, 8.88-89c; May, 9.04c; July, 9.25c; Sept, 9.33c; Oct, 9.44-45c; Jan, 9.65-10.0c; March, 9.76-10.0c.

COTTON futures were: Dec, 68.15-19c; March, 70.55-60c; May, 71.70c; July, 71.85-90c; Oct, 67.80-90c; Dec, 66.90c; March 67.75c bid.

COFFEE futures in "C" contract closed up 3.69c to 1.25c. Dec, 134.25c; March, 145.00-25c; May, 141.00-50c; July, 137.25c; Sept, 134.50-3.5c; Dec, 133.00c bid; March, 128.00-34.0c.

COCOA futures rose sharply to close limit up in December with 19 unfilled bids in the final pool. Other months ranged 5.25 to 4.10 cents higher. Dec, 169.55c; March, 164.00c; May, 168.70c; July, 167.35c; Sept, 166.10c; Dec, 162.70c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS.—Meal futures closed down $5.00 to $1.50 a ton, slightly above the day's lows. Oil futures lost 0.52 to 0.05 cents but were unchanged in the September.—SOYABEANS.—Nov, 677.78c; Jan, 687-85c; March, 696-95½c; May, 699-700c; July, 699½-700c; Aug, 692½c; Sept, 675c; Nov, 665c. SOYABEAN OIL.—Oct, 26.00-05c; Dec, 25.70-75c; Jan, 25.30-35c; March, 25.26-30c; May, 25.10-15c; July, 24.90c; Aug, 24.65-70c; Sept, 24.20-35c; Oct, 23.75-85c. SOYABEAN MEAL.—Oct, $179.30; Dec, $183.20-3.00; Jan, $183.10; March, $185.20-5.40; May, $185.50-5.60; July, $186.30; Aug, $184.00-3.00; Sept, $182.00-3.00; Oct, $181.10-1.50.

CHICAGO GRAINS. WHEAT. Dec, 349¾-50c; March, 346-46¼c; May, 343-41¾c; July, 329¾-¼c; Sept, 333c; Dec, 339½. CORN. Dec, 237¾c; March, 237-37¼c; May, 244¼-¼c; July, 248-48¼c; Sept, 252-52c; Dec, 256¼c. OATS. Dec, 142-42¼c; March, 151-51¼c; May, 154¾c; July, 164¾c asked.

	Oct 16	Oct 17
Allied Chem	35	35¼
Allied Stores	25	25¾
Allied Supermkt	2¾	2¾
Allis Chalmers	33	33¾
Alcoa	48¼	49¼
Amax Inc	47¼	47¾
Amerada Hess	29¼	28¾
Am Airlines	14¼	13¾
Am Brands	50¾	51
Am Broadcast	36¾	37¾
Am Can	37¾	38
Am Cyanamid	27¾	27¾
Am Elec Power	23¼	23½
Am Home	28	28
Am Motors	5¾	6¼
Am Nat Res	42⅞	43⅝
Am Standard	47¾	48¼
Am Telephone	62⅛	62⅜
AMF Inc	19⅞	19¾
Armco Steel	20⅞	20¾
Asarco	15	15⅛
Ashland Oil	46¼	45¾
Atlantic Richfield	55¼	55¾
Avco	27¾	27¾
Avon Products	55¾	55¾
Bankers Tst NY	37¼	37¾
Bank of America	27⅞	27¾
Bank of NY	35	35
Beatrice Foods	26	26¼
Bell & Howell	18⅞	19⅞
Bendix	39½	39½
Bethlehem Steel	23½	23¾
Boeing	64¾	65⅝
Boise Cascade	30⅞	30½
Borden	28⅛	28⅜
Borg Warner	32⅞	32⅝
Bristol Myers	33	33⅝
BP	17½	18
Burlington Ind	18½	18⅞
Burlington Nthn	41½	42⅝
Burroughs	72	72¾
Campbell Soup	34¾	35½
Canadian Pacific	19⅞	20
Caterpillar	58½	58½
Celanese	41⅞	41¾
Central Soya	13½	13¾
Charter NY	33¾	33½
Chase Manhat	34½	35
Chem Bank NY	42⅝	43⅛
Chesapeake Ohio	29⅛	29⅝
Chrysler	10⅞	11
Citicorp	20¾	20⅞
Cities Service	54½	55¾
Clark Equip	38¼	38¾
Coca Cola	43	43¾
Colgate	19•	19¾
CBS	54¾	54¾
Columbia Gas	27⅞	27¾
Combustion Eng	36¾	36
Comwlth Edison	28⅛	28⅜
Cons Edison	24¾	24¾
Cons Foods	21⅞	22¼
Cons Power	22¼	22¾
Continental Grp	29⅛	30⅛
Continental Oil	28⅝	28⅝
Control Data	35⅛	35¾
Corning Glass	58	58
CPC Intnl	51	51¼
Crane	29⅜	30⅛
Crocker Int	28¼	28¾
Crown Zeller	34⅞	34⅞
Dart Ind	42⅞	43
Deere	34	34
Del Monte	42•	41⅞
Delta Air	46¼	46⅝
Detroit Edison	16½	15¾
Disney	41¼	41¾
Dow Chemical	27¾	27½
Dresser Ind	41¼	41⅞
Duke Power	20	20
Du Pont	130¾	131¼
Eastern Air	10⅛	11
Eastman Kodak	62⅛	61⅞
Eaton Corp	39⅞	39⅞
El Paso Nat Gas	18⅞	18¾
Equitable Life	20¾	20¾
Esmark	27⅝	27⅞
Evans P. D.	21½	20⅞
Exxon Corp	50⅞	50⅞
Fed Dept Stores	34¾	33⅞
Firestone	12⅞	12⅞
Fst Chicago	23⅞	24¼
Fst Nat Boston	30⅞	30⅞
Fst Penn Corp	15⅜	15¾
Ford	44⅝	45¼
GAF Corp	13	13
Gamble Skogmo	33	35¾
Gen Dynamics	80¾	83
Gen Electric	51⅞	51¾
Gen Foods	33¾	33½
Gen Mills	29	29¾
Gen Motors	61	62⅜
Gen Pub Util NY	19⅛e	19⅜
Gen Tel Elec	30	30¼
Gen Tire	25⅝	26⅛
Genesco	5¾	5½
Georgia Pacific	28⅝	28¾
Getty Oil	39⅞	40⅝
Gillette	29⅝	29⅝
Goodrich	19⅞	19⅞
Goodyear	17⅜	17¾
Gould Inc	30⅝	31
Grace	31⅞	31¾
Gt Atlic & Pacific	6⅝	6½
Greyhound	12⅛	13⅛
Grumman Corp	17⅝	17⅞
Gulf Oil	24⅞	25
Gulf & West	13⅞	13⅞
Heinz H. J.	43⅝	42⅞
Hercules	16⅜	16½
Honeywell	65⅝	65⅛
IC Inds	25⅝	26¼
Ingersoll	57⅝	58
Inland Steel	38⅝	37
IBM	279⅞	278¾
Int Harvester	38⅜	38⅝
INCO	17⅜	17¼
Int Paper	42⅛	44
Int Tel Tel	30¾	30⅝
Jewel Co	21⅞	21¾
Jim Walter	31⅞	31⅞
Johns-Manville	30⅝	31½
Johnson & John	80⅝	80⅞
Kaiser Alumin	38	38
Kennecott	25⅝	26⅛
Kerr McGee	45⅞	46⅛
Kimberly Clark	46	46⅜
Kraftco Corp	47½	47⅝
K Mart	26⅞	26¾
Kroger	34⅞	34½
Ligget Group	32⅝	33
L.T.V. Corp	9⅜	9⅝
Litton	25⅝	25⅞
Lockheed	24⅜	24⅞
Lucky Stores	16⅛	16⅛
Manuf Hanover	38⅜	38⅝
Mapco	33⅝	33⅞
Marathon Oil	52	52⅝
Marine Midland	16⅝	16⅞
Martin Marietta	30⅝	30⅝
McDonnell	31⅞	31⅞
Mead	31	30⅝
Memorex	40	40
Merck	57¾	57⅝
Minnesota Mng	59⅞	59
Mobil Oil	69¾	69⅝
Monsanto	56⅝	57⅛
Morgan J. P.	48⅜	49⅛
Motorola	42⅝	42⅝
NCR Corp	64⅝	64⅝
NL Industries	20⅞	21½
Nabisco	22¾	22⅞
Nat Distillers	21⅝	21⅝
Nat Steel	30⅞	31⅞
Norfolk West	25⅛	25⅛
NW Bancorp	25⅝	25¾
Norton Simon	18⅝	18½
Occidental Pet	19	19⅛
Ogden	31½	31⅞
Olin Corp	24	24
Owens-Illinois	21⅞	20⅞
Pacific Gas Elec	23⅛	23⅛
Pan Am	7½	7½
Penney J. C.	36⅞	37⅛
Pennzoil	30⅛	30½
Pepsico	27	27⅛
Pfizer	34½	33⅞
Phelps Dodge	25	25⅛
Philip Morris	70⅝	71½
Phillips Petrol	31⅞	32
Polaroid	50⅞	48⅞
PPG Ind	28⅝	29⅞
Proctor Gamble	86½	86
Pub Ser El & Gas	22⅞	23
Pullman	40⅞	42⅛
Rapid American	15	15
Raytheon	47	48⅛
RCA Corp	27⅞	28
Republic Steel	25⅞	25⅞
Reynolds Ind	59⅝	59⅝
Reynolds Metal	36⅛	36⅝
Rockwell Int	36¾	36⅞
Royal Dutch	64	64⅝
Safeways	43⅛	43⅞
St Regis Paper	31⅞	32
Santa Fe Ind	33⅞	33⅛
SCM	20⅞	21
Schlumberger	87⅞	87⅞
Scott Paper	15⅞	15⅞
Seaboard Coast	31⅞	31⅞
Seagram	25⅝	25⅞
Sears Roebuck	22⅞	22⅝
Shell Oil	34⅞	34⅞
Shell Trans	45⅝	45⅝
Signal Co	51⅞	53
Singer	17⅞	15
Sony	7⅞	7¾
Sth Cal Edison	25⅛	25⅛
Southern Pacific	30⅞	30⅞
Southern Rly	52⅞	53
Sperry Rand	43⅛	44⅛
Std Brands	24⅝	25
Std Oil Califnia	45⅝	46⅛
Std Oil Indiana	55⅞	55⅞
Std Oil Ohio	36½	37⅛
Sterling Drug	16⅛	16½
Stevens J. P.	15⅛	15½
Stude Worth	62	62⅛
Sunbeam Corp	22	21⅞
Sun Comp	40⅛	41⅛
Teledyne	99⅛	100⅞
Tenneco	32⅞	32⅞
Texaco	24⅞	24⅞
Texas East Corp	36⅞	36⅝
Texas Inst	84⅜	84⅞
Texas Utilities	19⅝	19⅝
Textron	31	31⅞
TWA	21	21⅞
Travelers Corp	35⅞	37⅛
TRW Inc	37⅞	38⅝
UAL Inc	35⅛	35⅞
Unilever Ltd	46	46
Unilever NV	61⅞	61⅞
Union Bancorp	27⅞	27⅞
Union Carbide	38⅝	39⅛
Union Oil Calif	54	55⅛
Un Pacific Corp	56⅝	57
Uniroyal	7	7⅛
United Brands	11⅞	12⅛
US Industries	8⅛	8⅜
US Steel	25⅝	25⅞
Utd Technol	43⅞	43⅞
Wachovia	19	19⅛
Warner Lambert	25⅞	25⅞
Wells Fargo	30⅞	31
West'n Bancorp	28⅝	28⅞
Westnghse Elec	20	20⅛
Weyerhaeuser	28⅞	29
Whirlpool	21⅝	22⅛
White Motor	11⅞	11⅞
Woolworth	20⅛	20⅞
Xerox Corp	52⅞	53⅛
Zenith	14⅞	14⅞

Canadian Prices

	Oct 16	Oct 17
Abitibi	17⅛	17⅛
Alcan Alumin	39⅛	39¼
Algoma Steel	24⅛	24
Bell Telephone	60⅝	61⅛
Cominco	31⅞	31⅞
Cons Bathurst	33⅝	33⅞
Falconbridge	34	33⅞
Gulf Oil	31⅞	31¾
Hawker Sid Can	8.88	8.55
Hudson Bay Min	22⅞	22⅞
Hudson Bay Oil	43⅝	43⅛
Imasco	36⅛	36⅛
Imperial Oil	21⅞	22⅛
Int Pipe	16⅛	17
Mass.-Fergsn	11⅛	11⅛
Royal Trust	16⅛	16⅛
Seagram	31⅛	32⅛
Steel Co	27⅛	27⅛
Talcorp	11⅛	11⅛
Thomson N 'A'	15	15
Walker Hiram	37⅛	37⅛
WCT	11⅛	11⅛

•Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New Issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.9950 (1.9935); three months, 1.9790 (1.9800); Canadian dollar, 84.35 (84.85).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was 386.45. The futures index was 384.45.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 859.67 (866.34); transportation, 232.71 (237.44); utilities, 104.25 (104.84); 65 stocks, 294.48 (297.66).

New York Stock Exchange index, 56.40 (56.89); industrials, 61.37 (62.10); transportation, 46.35 (47.19); utilities, 39.48 (39.74); financial, 60.74 (61.40).

Briefly

STEEL & BARNETT
Group has requested listing of its 6 per cent cumulative preference shares to be cancelled.

TRIDANT GRP PRINTERS
De Zoete & Bevan, brokers to Argus Press Holdings, has sold 24,000 Tridant shares at 99½p. Following sale interest of Chirit Investment in Tridant reduced from 911,000 to 886,000 shares. Baring Bros has bought 251,000 ordinary shares at 100p for its own account.

CHRISTIE-TYLER
Has acquired Olympic Kitchens for basic cash consideration of £1.25m with more related to profitability.

MOTOROLA
Third quarter sales for 1978 at $534m and earnings $29.8m. For nine months $1,580m and $90.3m respectively.

CYANAMID
Net earnings for third quarter $36m ($31.9m). Sales $672.5m ($604.6m). Sales for nine months $2,010m ($1,770m). Net earnings $112m ($2.34m), compared with $102.8m ($2.15m).

TWA
Third quarter revenue $1,040m ($942.8m). Net earnings $85.5m ($72.63m). Revenue for nine months $2,730m ($2,460m). Net earnings $95.08m ($50.14m).

DOW CHEMICAL
Sales for third quarter $1,670m ($1,590m). Net earnings $153.4m ($144.5m). Sales for nine months now total $5,070m ($4,680m). Net earnings $436.9m ($450.7m).

WARNER-LAMBERT
Sales for nine months $2,068m ($1,858m). Net earnings $168m ($152.3m). Sales growth expected to exceed 10 per cent and earnings in line with growth in sales, or slightly better.

Foreign Exchange

In much calmer conditions than on previous days this week, the dollar lost a little more ground against most major currencies yesterday.

Sterling in the meantime traded within very narrow limits to finish at its overnight position of $1.9960.

Sterling's effective exchange index, however, eased to 62.0, compared with 62.1, reflecting a weaker pound in terms of most European currencies, particularly the Deutsche mark.

Dealers said the talks taking place at Bonn on European Monetary Systems tended to inhibit business. Following more excellent Japanese trade figures, the dollar encountered early pressure, but heavy intervention by the Bank of Japan succeeded in stopping a dollar slide, at least against the yen, which ended easier in dollar terms at 182.20 (181.70).

Elsewhere, the Deutsche mark strengthened at 1.8335 (1.8370), along with the Swiss franc at 1.5075 (1.5075).

Gold closed at $228.625, up $0.50.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) October 18	Market rates (close) October 18
New York	$1.9930-9990	$1.9955-65
Montreal	$2.3510-3610	$2.3580-3590
Amsterdam	3.99¾-4.04fl	3.99¾-4.00¾fl
Brussels	57.70-58.25f	57.75-85f
Copenhagen	10.18½-29½k	10.19½-20½k
Frankfurt	3.65-68m	3.66-67m
Lisbon	88.75-89.75e	88.80-89.20e
Madrid	138.85-139.20p	138.95-139.05p
Milan	1621½-25½lr	1623-24lr
Oslo	9.82-86k	9.83½-84½k
Paris	8.40-45f	8.40-41f
Stockholm	8.53-59k	8.55-56k
Tokyo	360-70y	363-65y
Vienna	26.75-90sch	26.75-85sch
Zurich	3.00-3¼f	3.00¾-1¼f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was down 0.1 per cent at 62 per cent.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.55-.45c prem	1.75-1.65c prem
Montreal	.60-.50c prem	2.10-2.00c prem
Amsterdam	¾c prem-¼c disc	2¾-1¾c prem
Brussels	5-15c disc	25-15c prem
Copenhagen	7-9ore disc	10½-12½ore disc
Frankfurt	3½-2½pf prem	9½-8½pf prem
Lisbon	70-170c disc	200-400c disc
Madrid	25-125c disc	120-220c disc
Milan	1-3lr disc	4-8lr disc
Oslo	3-5ore disc	6-8ore disc
Paris	3-2c prem	8-7c prem
Stockholm	2½-½ore prem	7½-5½ore prem
Vienna	17-7gro prem	42-32gro prem
Zurich	3½-2¾c prem	10½-9½c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.8470-82.

Euro-$ Deposits

Calls, 6¼-8; seven days, 8½-9¼; one month, 9⅝-9¾; three months, 9¾-10⅛; six months, 10¼-10⅝.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $229.25 (an ounce); pm, $229.00.

Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $236-237 (£117¾-118¾); resident, $234½-236½ (£117¾-118¾).

Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $61½-63½ (£31-32); resident, $63½-65½ (£32-33).

Eurosyndicat

The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 140.11 on October 17 against 143.46 a week earlier.

Discount market

Third-Wednesday, make-up day, considerations meant that discount houses were able to get money fairly cheaply yesterday.

Sizable sums came on offer during the day at rates that started at 8 per cent or so and slipped gently away to 7 per cent. Overnight money inter-banks commanded 9-8½ per cent, meanwhile.

The Bank of England sold a moderate amount of Treasury bills directly to the houses, which was possibly a little more than was necessary to mop-up the surplus liquidity. Even so, closing balances were taken at between 7 and 7½ per cent. The market had to finance a fairly small take-up of Treasury bills. But this adverse factor was easily outweighed by banks' balances that were slightly above-target overnight, a small excess of Government disbursements (chiefly national insurance) over Revenue transfers to the Exchequer and a modest decline in the note circulation.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10%
(Last changed 6/6/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 10%

Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 8¾ Low 7
Week Fixed: 8¾-8½

Treasury Bills (Dis %)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	9⅝	2 months	9¾
3 months	10	3 months	9¾

Prime Bank Bills (Dis %) / Trades (Dis %)

2 months	10½-10⅜	3 months	11¼
3 months	10⅝-10¾	4 months	11½
4 months	11-10¾	6 months	11½
6 months	11¼-10¾		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	10¼-10⅛	7 months	10¾-10⅝
2 months	10⅜-10¼	8 months	10¾-10⅝
3 months	10½-10⅜	9 months	10¾-11¼
4 months	10⅝-10½	10 months	10¾-10⅝
5 months	10⅝-10½	11 months	10¾-10⅝
6 months	10⅝-10½	12 months	10¾-10⅝

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates (%)

1 month	10-9⅞	6 months	11⅛-10⅞
3 months	10⅝-10½	12 months	11-10⅞

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	8¾	3 months	10⅝
7 days	9⅝-9¾	6 months	11
1 month	9⅞	1 year	11¼

Interbank Market (%)

Overnight: Open 9¾ Close 8½

1 week	9⅞-9	6 months	11½-11¼
1 month	10-9⅞	9 months	11⅛-10⅞
3 months	11-10⅞	12 months	11-10⅞

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %)
3 months 11¼ 6 months 11¼

Finance House Base Rate 9½%

VIKING RESOURCES TRUST
Pre-tax revenue for six months to September 30, £165,900 (£162,600). Earnings a share, 1.03p (1.01p). Asset backing 117p, up 9 per cent.

CHRISTIES INTERNATIONAL
Agreement reached for acquisition of J. & R. Edmiston, Glasgow auctioneers and valuers, for £150,000, including heritable or freehold property.

HEWDEN-STUART PLANT
Negotiations completed for company to acquire capital of Mair and McCartney (Scotland) Ayr for total consideration of £47,442 shares.

CATERPILLAR TRACTOR
Third quarter sales $1,820m ($1,510m). Earnings $139.2m ($116m). Total sales for nine months $5,290m ($4,330m). Net earnings $408.8m ($331.1m).

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorized Unit Trusts

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
		Abbey Unit Trust Managers, 72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296-5941			
37.3	24.2	Abbey Capital	35.0	37.2	4.20
50.4	33.5	Abbey General	47.4	50.4	4.12
44.3	29.8	Do Income	41.9	44.5	5.79
48.7	27.6	Do Invest	37.4	39.5	4.29
79.9	50.7	Equitas Prog	68.6	72.6	3.94
		Allen Trust Managers Ltd, Durrant Hse, Chiswell St, EC1. 01-588 6371			
80.9	57.4	Allen Trust (3)	78.9	84.8	3.79
76.0	47.9	Do Inc (3)	73.6	79.1	6.83

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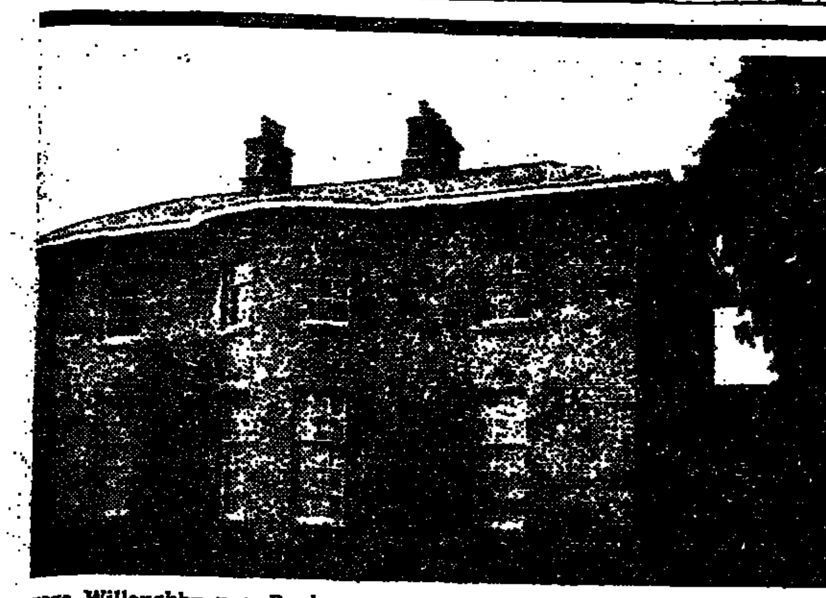
•Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous day's price. ◆ Ex all. ¢ Dealings suspended. ¶ Cash value for £100 premium. § Bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. s Periodic premium. x Single premium.

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Offshore Funds

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Residential property



...rage, Willoughby, near Rugby.

Vicarages sold as redundant

...the side-effects of the ... fortunes of the ... of England in our ... as been the number ... bes, particularly in ... s, which have had to ... mated. This, in turn, ... o a reduction in the ... of incumbents, thus ... more and more vicar... edundant.

...ocese of Coventry is ... f two of its unwanted ... he property at Wilm... r miles to the north... Stratford upon Avon, ... a Glebe House. Built ... k-Gothic style of local ... 1845, the house has ... ch added to since.

...w owner will have one ... t urgent task to per... he or she be overrun ... dren. There is a door ... from dining room to ... oom, and the school ... much in use. The door ... e bricked up.

... miles or so to the ... diocese is selling the ... in the village of Wil... This is a fine, grade ... d house, built of pale ... rick. With stables and ... it stands in three ... of an acre of garden. ... Payton and Co, of ... are handling the sale ... houses. They expect £45,000 and £50,000 for Wilmcote, and around ... for the Willoughby ... t the auction on Nov... .

...anor House at Moul... orthamptonshire, the ... ome of a well-known estate agent in Northampton, is to be sold at auction on November 2. Built of stone in the eighteenth century, this is also a grade two listed house in grounds of just over an acre.

The finely proportioned house, which has three main reception rooms and four bedrooms, is being handled by David Henson, of Northampton, who expect it to fetch over £50,000. The Manor House Cottage, which will be sold at the same time, is expected to bring £15,000.

On an altogether bigger scale are two agricultural and sporting estates just on the market. Jackson-Stops and Staff are handling the sale of the Springhill estate at Compton Abdale, near Cheltenham. Previously owned by Mrs Jackie Brutton, the estate covers 725 acres.

The two farms, woodlands, trout streams and lakes and four houses will be sold in lots at auction on November 15. Springhill Farm, an attractive Cotswold stone house, has three main reception rooms and four bedrooms.

Savills are the agents for the sale of the Bessingby estate which covers 1,163 acres on the outskirts of Bridlington. In addition to Bessingby Hall there are 16 farmhouses and cottages. The estate is for sale either as a whole or in lots.

Bessingby Hall itself, standing in 17 acres of park, dates from the sixteenth century although most of the present house is dated 1807. A grade two listed building, it has four main reception rooms (including a billiards room) and six bedrooms.

For those who set great store on electrical gadgets and have something over £250,000 burning a hole in their pockets, Knight Frank and Rutley have just the things.

"Sonnevanck", set in two acres of Surrey at Wentworth, was at one time owned by the Phillips Group who saw to the wiring, so to speak. With an indoor garden, outdoor floodlighting and plenty of locks, the house also has three reception rooms and seven bedrooms.

At Millbridge, near Farnham, Surrey, the Priory School of Equitation is for sale. This is probably just a grand name for a riding school, although with a floodlit indoor arena of 180ft by 70ft, 16 loose boxes, a hostel, a cottage and a heated swimming pool—all in 22 acres—it is on something of a grand scale.

Messenger May Baverstock, who are handling the sale, say the property could also be used either as a stud farm or racing stables.

Jacob Ecclestone

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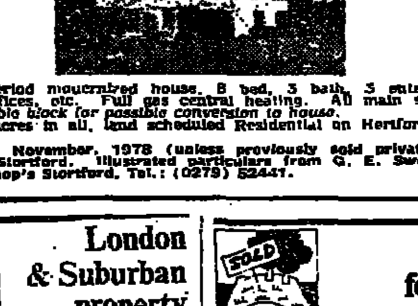
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Les liquidateurs: PIERRE ENGEL, CHARLES WINTSCH, DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS S.A., Robert Pennone.

The following is an unofficial "free" translation of the above official notice:

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Pursuant to Article 38 of the Ordinance of the Federal court, the list will remain so lodged for twenty days. During this period creditors may examine the list and, if necessary, appeal against it to the First Section of the Civil Court of Justice in Geneva, which has charge of the Scheme of Arrangement.

The Liquidators. PIERRE ENGEL, CHARLES WINTSCH, DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS S.A., Robert Pennone.

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k Moore, the astronomer, is seen in a different role in nory this week. He reads from his own novel Planet of *(BBC 1, 4.25)*

: fact that Citizen Kane (BBC 1, 8.30) is not in my personal Top Ten films is neither here nor there. It is in many people's lists, and there is no denying that, by any rds, it is one of the most remarkable films ever made. All f fancy claims were originally made for it (a " first " p-focus photography, a " first " in film sets with ceilings, a " in dialogue that overlapped scene changes). Time and *ch has put these claims into a more reliable perspective,* at is stone-solid fact is that Orson Welles, director, cer, co-writer and star of Citizen Kane, utilized all these ques (plus one or two little tricks he did think up ff) in one and the same film and thereby wrote a page of a history.

re are viewers, and I am one of them, who sometimes der themselves to one particular reverie—a radio station ms without disc jockeys. The dream, with one major dment, comes true in Tomorrow's World (BBC 1, 6.55) ch we learn about an American station that actually y computer. It is, sadly, that one amendment that restores topian concept to the realms of make-believe. Although the ter supplies all the spoken words that link the ammes those words still have to be recorded in the first ce by non-computerized disc jockeys. Nevertheless, it is e in the right direction. The dawn of the fully electronic nnot be all that far off.

lay (Radio 4, 6.30) which not all that long ago was getting all the time, is now getting better all the time. The trivial een weeded out. Its reporters are getting out of the studio The studio linking, and especially the chit-chat between nters, is getting as relaxed as that in London Broadcasting's ent A.M. And the girls are not one whit less professional he men. Libby Purves is fast getting rid of that iratorial half-whisper that used to make me feel most y, and is now sounding as confident in front of the phone as she always did away from it. This week, however, Hilary Osborn who shares the linking with John Timpson. as a lovely voice, with style to match.

enigma in which T. S. Eliot wrapped The Cocktail Party as hard to crack now as it was when we first saw the play in rly 1950s. None the less, the piece has still not yielded up secrets as you will find out if you listen to tonight's ction, in stereo, on Radio 3 at 7.30.

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12.25 pm, On the Move: help for people with word problems.
12.45, News and weather.
1.00, Pebble Mill: today's edition includes Tony Bilbow's weekly film spot.
1.45, Bagpuss: animated drawings tellin ga story about a cat.
2.00, You and Me: for children aged four and five.
2.14, For Schools, colleges (until 3.00): 2.14, English (war poets); 2.45, Treffpunkt: Deutschland.
3.00, International Tennis: the world's leading women players compete in the BMW Challenge at the Brighton Centre.
3.55, Play School: for the under-fives. Janet Wyatt's story Too Much Luggage.
4.20, Yogi Bear: cartoon. Ice Box Raider (r).
4.25, Jockanory: Planet of Fear, read and written by Patrick Moore.
4.40, Rentaghost: the three spooks help to organize a fete. British-made series for children.
5.00, John Craven's Newsround: junior newsreel.
5.10, Blue Peter: today's edition has the Nelson touch. We *see two of the mementos worn* by the immortal admiral when he was killed at Trafalgar.
5.40, News, with Peter Woods.
5.55, Nationwide: news and views from the regions.
6.55, Tomorrow's World: items on a computerized radio station, a new way of looking inside the human body and a way of starting up your car by remote control.
7.20, Top of the Pops: the record industry's shop window.
8.00, The Good Life: Barbara is mistaken for a boy and begins to despair. Tom has an idea for restoring her self-confidence.
8.30, Mastermind: the four competitors tonight will answer questions about the Bronte sisters, Celtic culture before AD 1200, the Clyde passenger steamer 1812-1962 and Israel and the European Zionist movement from 1858.
9.00, News, with Peter Woods.
9.25, Living Room: Omnibus film about the very different conditions in which people live and about the people themselves.
10.20, Most Wanted: crime squad thriller, made in the United States. Tonight, the team go to prison, looking for clues in a murder hunt.
11.10, *Tonight*: this edition includes the Robin Day interview.
11.50, Weather/Regional News.

BBC 1 variations: SCOTLAND: 9.41 am, Let's see; 11.30, Living in Scotland. WALES: 2.14, Hwnt ac Yma; 6.55, Heddiw.

BBC 2

11.00, Play School: same as BBC 1, 3.55.
2.00, International Tennis (until 3.00): First of today's live transmissions from the BMW Challenge matches at Brighton (see BBC 1, 3.00).
3.50, International Tennis: more play from Brighton.
4.55, Open University (until 7.00): 4.55, Atoms and Mole*cules; 5.20, The First Year of* Your Life: on the way; 5.45, Nitrogen Fixation; 6.10, Geochemical Surveying; 6.35, Conformation in Proteins (2).
7.00, News, with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.
7.05, When the Boat Comes In: Tyneside saga, continued. Tonight: Jack Ford (James Bolan) uses devious means to land himself the job of union secretary.
7.55, News and weather.
8.00, One Man and His Dog: the fourth heat in this repeated series on the international sheepdog trials in Loweswater. Tonight: three dogs from Ireland compete.
8.30, Film: Citizen Kane (1941). Orson Welles's masterpiece: the story of a newspaper tycoon whose career is threatened by a scandal (see Personal Choice).
10.25, International Motor Show: Preview of the big show that opens in Birmingham tomorrow. We will see the world's largest bus as well as the latest cars to come on the market.
10.50, International Tennis: highlights from today's play in the BMW Challenge at Brighton.
11.20, The British Connexion? Tonight's film, the last in a series of 12, is about Merthyr Tydfil, formerly one of the world's great iron and coal towns. Of special interest now because of the recent serialization on TV of Jack Jones's novel Off to Philadelphia in the Morning.
11.45, News and weather.
12.00, Closedown: Edward Thomas's The Owl is read by Lyndon Brook.

THAMES

9.30 am, Schools (until 12.00): 9.30, Stop, Look, Listen; 9.44, Look Around (water); 10.04, My World: real life; 10.16, Picture Box; 10.33, English Programme (author Barry Hines); 11.00, Music Round (choral singing); 11.22, Seeing and Doing; 11.39, French Studies.
12.00, Topper's Tales: for children. Julian Orchard tells the story, Peter Parr illustrates it.
12.10 pm, Pipkins: " Let's pretend " game for children.
12.30, International Golf: the European Open, from Walton Heath, Surrey.
1.00, News, with Peter Sissons.
1.20, Thames News: local round-up.
1.30, Crown Court: the verdict in the case of the publisher and journalist accused of libel.
2.00, After Noon: Mavis Nicholson talks to Molly Kaye, whose novel about India, The Far Pavilions, has been compared to Gone with the Wind.
2.25, Racing and golf: We see two races from Newmarket—the 2.30 and the 3.00. Then, back to more golf from Walton Heath.
4.20, Film: The Clown and the Kids (1967). Children's film about a clown (Emmet Kelly, a real-life circus entertainer) who helps some children to depose a local despot.
5.45, News.
6.00, Thames at Six: local news and features.
6.35, Crossroads: stories about motel life.
7.00, The Six Million Dollar Man: fantastic adventure. Tonight: not one bionic man but two. The second is Steve Austin's double.
8.00, George and Mildred: comedy series. The Ropers take in a paying guest, with (given the marital disharmony in the house) predictable results.
8.30, TV Eye: current affairs programme. Jonathan Dimbleby, in Nicaragua, interviews its *ruler, 9Anastasio Somoza and* talks to members of the united opposition.
9.00, The Sweeney: In Bait, tonight's thriller about the Flying Squad, the hunt is on for a modern Bonnie and Clyde—a notorious robber and his girlfriend.
10.00, News.
10.30, Inside Business: The expensive foreign cars and overseas holidays that help some firms to get round the Government's pay policies.
11.00, Rafferty: medical dramas. Tonight's cases involve a search for a kidney transplant donor.
12.00, What the Papers Say: tonight's presenter is Brian MacArthur, deputy editor of the Evening Standard.
12.15 am, Close: we hear music by Brahms and see a Pre-Raphaelite painting.

RADIO

Radio 4

6.00 am, News, weather, papers, sport.
6.10, Farming.
6.30, Today.
7.00, 8.00, News.
7.30, 8.30, Headlines.
8.45, My Apprenticeships (9).
9.00, News.
9.05, These You Have Loved.
10.00, News.
10.05, Checkpoint.
10.30, Service.
10.45, Story: Red Herring.
11.00, News.
11.05, The Uncommon Market: Covent Garden.
11.50, First Impression: Sir John Methven.
12.00, News.
12.02 pm, You and Yours.
12.27, I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue.†
1.00, The World at One.
1.30, The Archers.
1.45, Woman's Hour.
2.45, Listen with Mother.
3.00, News.
3.05, Play: The Fruit of the Vine by J. C. Wilsher.
4.00, News.
4.05, The Peace of Northern Ireland: The Ulster countryside.
4.35, Story: Fly Half.
5.00, News.
6.00, The Six O'clock News.
6.30, Top of the Form (5): South of England.
7.00, News.
7.05, The Archers.
7.20, Time for Verse.
7.30, Kaleidoscope.
8.00, The Royal Festival Hall, part 1: Beethoven, Mozart.†
8.50, A Talent to Amuse: J. W. Lambert.
9.10, Concert, part 2: Shostakovich.†
9.59, Weather.
10.00, The World Tonight.
10.30, Any Answers?
11.00, A Book at Bedtime: The House with the Green Shutters (9).
11.15, The Financial World.
11.30, News, weather.
VHF: 6.50 am, Regional News, weather. 7.50, Regional News, weather. 9.05, Schools. 10.45, Schools. 12.55 pm, Regional News, weather. 2.00, Schools. 5.55, Regional News, weather. 11.00, Study on 4 (3). 11.30, Close.

Radio 3

6.55 am, Weather.
7.00, News.
7.05, Concert: Glinka, Falla, Ravel.†
8.00, News.
8.05, Concert: Praetorius, Wilbye, Byrd, Bach.†
9.00, News.
9.05, This Week's Composer Berkeley.†
9.50, Bach: piano recital, part 1.†
10.30, Interval Reading. 10.35, Piano recital, part 2. 11.30, Vienna Festival 1978, part 1: Schubert.† 11.55, In Short: Talk.
12.05 pm, Vienna Festival 1978, part 2: Schmidt.†
1.00, News.
1.05, Bradford Midday Concert: Delius, Rachmaninov.
2.00, La Griselda: Opera by Vivaldi. Act 1.†
2.55, Words.
3.00, La Griselda, Acts 2 and 3.†
4.25, Clarinet Recital: Schumann, Debussy, Weber.†
5.10, Harpsichord Recital —Bull, Randall, Farnaby, Byrd.†
5.45, Homeward Bound.
6.30, News.
6.35, At Home. Music by Kodaly, Mendelssohn.
7.30, World Theatre: The Cocktail Party, by T. S. Eliot.
9.40, A New Double-Bass Concerto, part 1: Haydn, Bennett.†
10.25, The Curse of Moses: James Joyce's poetry.
10.45, Concert, part 2: Beethoven.†
11.45, News.
11.50, Schubert Song.

RADIO 3 VHF
6.25 pm, Open University.

Radio 2

5.00 am, News, weather. 5.02, Tony Brandon.† 7.32, Terry Wogan. 8.27, Racing Bulletin.† 10.02, Golf: The European Open. 10.05, Jimmy Young. 11.02-12.02 pm, Golf.† 12.15, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray's Open House. 1.02, Golf. 1.45, Sports Desk, racing, golf. 2.30, David Hamilton. 2.45, Sports Desk; Racing, Newmarket. 3.00, Challenge Stakes. 3.45, Sports Desk. 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.50, John Dunn. 5.45, Sports Desk.† 6.45, Sports Desk, racing results. 7.02, Country Club Country Music.† 9.02, Folkweave: Folk music.† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, The Impressionists. 10.30, Star Sound Extra. 11.02, Peter Clayton: Round Midnight. 12.00, News, weather. 2.00-2.02 am, News.

Radio 1

5.00 am, As Radio 2. 7.02, Paul Burnett. 9.00, Simon Bates: The Golden Hour, Meet Your Match. 11.31, Peter Powell. 12.30 pm, Newsbeat. 1.00, Tony Blackburn; National Pop Panel. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 5.30, Newsbeat. 6.00, Your Chance to Meet a Sportsman. 6.30, The New Album Chart. 7.30, Country Club (joins Radio 2).† 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00-2.02 am, As Radio 2.

VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am, With Radio 2. 1.55 pm, Good Listening. 10.00, With Radio 1. 12.00-2.02 am, With Radio 2.

REGIONAL TV

Grampian

9.25 am, First Thing. 9.30, Thames. 1.20 pm, Grampian News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, The Little House on the Prairie. 5.15, The Bob Newhart Show. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Grampian Today; Weather. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Bionic Woman. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Police Newsroom. 10.35, Reflections. 10.40, Sportscall. 11.20, Grampian Headlines. 11.25, The Practice. 11.55, Close.

Channel

9.30 am, Thames. 1.18 pm, Channel Lunchtime News. What's On Where; Weather. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, The Little House on the Prairie. 5.15, Stars on Ice. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Channel News; Weather. 6.10, Lassie. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Bionic Woman. 8.00, Thames. 10.28, Channel News; Weather. 10.32, Sandokan. 11.00, Film: She Lives. 12.20 am, News; Weather: Close.

Ulster

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime. 1.30, Thames. 4.18, Ulster News. 4.20, Beachcombers. 4.45, Lassie. 5.15, Cartoon. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Reports. 6.25, Police Six. 6.35, Happy Days. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, The Bionic Man. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Counterpoint. 11.00, The Practice. 11.25, Bedtime. 11.35, Close.

ATV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, ATV Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Film: Gulliver's Travels. 5.45, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Botanic Man. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Cars, Cars, Cars . . . Why? 11.00, Film: Walk a Crooked Path, Faith Brook, Tenniel Evans, Patricia Haines. 12.40 am, Close.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Jabberjaw. 4.45, Little House on the Prairie. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Calendar; Weather. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Botanic Man. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Calendar Special. 11.15, In Concert. 11.45, Close.

Tyne Tees

9.25 am, The Good Word. North East News. Weather. 9.30, Thames. 1.20 pm, North East News. Lookaround. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Film: The Family Nobody Wanted (Shirley Jones, James Olson). 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Botanic Man. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, About Britain. 11.00, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 11.45, Epilogue. 11.50, Close.

Westward

9.30 am, Thames. 12.27 pm, Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 12.30, Thames. 1.20, Westward News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, The Little House on the Prairie. 5.15, Stars on Ice. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Bionic Woman. 8.00, Thames. 10.28, Westward News and Weather. 10.30, Westward Report. 11.00, Film: She Lives (Desi Arnaz Jnr, Season Hubley). 12.20 am, Faith for Life. 12.25, Close.

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Lassie. 4.45, The Flintstones. 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.20, Arena. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Rolf Harris Show. 7.30, The Botanic Man. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Darts. 11.00, Film: The Hatfields and the McCoys (Jack Palance, Steve Forrest). 12.25 am, The Living Word, Close.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Lassie. 4.45, Beachcombers. 5.15, The Undersea Adventures of Captain Nemo. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Day by Day. 6.30, University Challenge. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Botanic Man. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Southern News. 10.35, Your Westminster. 11.05, Danger in Paradise. 12.05 am, What the Papers Say. 12.25, Weather. Bookend. Close.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, This is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Spiderman. 4.40, Westway. 5.10, What's New. 5.15, Crossroads. 5.45, News at 5.45. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Emmerdale Farm. 7.00, Thames. 10.30, What's On. 11.00, What the Papers Say. 11.20, Barnaby Jones. 12.15 am, Close.

Border

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Film: Tarzan and the Trappers. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Lookaround. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Botanic Man. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, Look Who's Talking Kenny Smiles. 11.00, Chopper Squad. 11.55, Border News; Weather. 11.58, Close.

Scottish

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, News, Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Tarzan. 5.15, Batlink. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, Garnock Way. 7.00, Botanic Man. 7.30, The Rag Trade. 8.00, Thames. 10.30, The Law Centre. 11.30, Late Call. 11.35, Canadian Celebrity Concert: Pat Boone. 12.15 am, Close.

HTV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Report West. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Take a Bow. 4.45, The Flintstones. 5.15, Job-Line Newsdesk. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Report West. 6.15, Sport West. 6.30, Happy Days. 7.00, Bionic Woman. 8.00, Thames. 10.35, Countryside. 11.05, Film: The Strange and Deadly Occurrence (Robert Stack, Vera Miles). 12.25 am, Weather, Close.
As HTV WEST except: 9.44 am, About Wales. 1.20 pm, Penawdau Newyddion Y Dydd. 1.25, Report Wales. 4.20, Seren Wib. 5.15, Cartoons. 6.00, Y Dydd. 6.15, Report Wales. 6.30, Sports Arena. 10.00, News at Ten. Report Wales. 11.05, Film: Two Girls and a Millionaire (Amanda Waldy, Paul Arlington, Anna Nigh). 12.05 am, Get Some In. 12.35, Weather. Close.
HTV General:
9.44 am, About Wales. 1.25 pm, Report Wales Headlines. 6.15, Report Wales.

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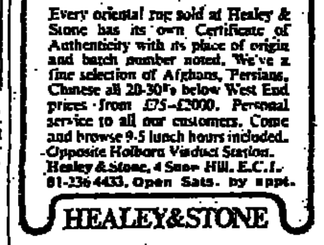
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ERSKINE.—On the 15th October, at Mill Road Maternity Hospital, Cambridge, to Anthea (nee Hayward) and Robert—a son (James Alexander).

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DEATHS

ADAM.—On October 18th, peacefully, Kenneth, aged 70, of 10 Old Court House, London, W.8. Former director of BBC Television, professor of communications at Temple University, Philadelphia. Husband of the late Ruth Adam, father of Corinna, Clive, Piers and Nicolas; grandfather of Marina and Isobel. Cremation private. Memorial Service for both Ruth *and Kenneth to be announced.*

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BOWYER.—On October 17th, 1978, in hospital, and of Park Cottage, Wrench Lane, High Legh, Knutsford, Eric Bowyer, aged 68 years. Dearly beloved husband of Jean Bowyer, loving father of Wendy and Judy and families. Service and interment is on Saturday, 21st October, at Rostherne Church at 11 a.m. Inquiries to John Monks & Sons, 54 Railway Rd, Leigh, Lancs. Tel Leigh 605225.

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BROOME.—On October 17th, 1978, peacefully, at his home in Hove, after a long illness, Edward George Broome (Eddie), much *loved husband of Lena and very* dear father of Marion and Geoffrey. Cremation private. Please, no flowers or letters.

BRUCE.—On 16th October, 1978, suddenly at his home, 10, Wyndham House, Oxford, Professor James Fawthrop, aged 90 years, loving father of Nell and Mary. Funeral service will be at Oxford Crematorium, Bayswater Rd., Headington, Oxford, on Saturday, 21st Oct., at 11.30 a.m.

COLLINS.—On October 17th, peacefully at "Sunny Heights", Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Eliza Jane, aged 84 years, of Manor Vale, Brentford. Beloved mother of Beryl and grandma of Richard, Andrew, Graham, Joyce and Noel. Funeral service, 11 a.m., Monday, 23rd October at The Chilterns Crematorium, Whieldon Lane, Amersham. Family flowers only, donations to British Heart Foundation, 46b *High Street, Bushey.*

COLLS.—On Oct. 13, 1978, suddenly on a flight to Johannesburg, Leslie Howard, beloved brother of Derek and Helen. Details of funeral arrangements will be announced later.

CUNNINGHAM.—Charles David Law, dearly loved husband of Margaret (Penny), very suddenly near their home, Penhurst, Woking, on 17th October. Only son of Mabel L. and the late Jean Cunningham. Funeral Service at Warriston Crematorium, Edinburgh, on Saturday, 21st October, at 11.30 a.m. No flowers please.

CURRALL.—Tragically, Jiles William Arnold, aged 21, beloved second son of Arnold and Sheila and dear brother of Penny, James and Quentin, of Freemen's Hall, Castle Leazes, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

EMARY.—On Oct. 15, 1978, in hospital, Frederick William Emary, aged 75, of 6 Wivelsfield Road, Saltdean, Sussex. Formerly property manager of Hampton & Sons, Piccadilly, London.

FAIRBAIRN.—On Oct. 16th, 1978, in *Eastbourne General Hospital,* Ethel Lily, of Seaford. Funeral service at Seaford Parish church on Thursday, Oct. 19th, at 10.45 a.m. No flowers, by her request.

HAWES.—On 17 October at Oranmore Nursing Home, Eastbourne, Dorothy Stanhopia Hobart (Dodo), widow of Melville Adams, dearly loved mother of Joan Hall and grandmother of Michael, Peter and Christopher. Funeral service at Eastbourne Crematorium at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, 23rd October. By her request, no flowers but if desired, donations to Budleigh Salterton Branch of R.U.K.B.A. or Guide Dogs for the Blind Association.

JONES, ESTHER CLAIRE, B.Sc., Ph.D., of Dept. of Anatomy, *Birmingham University, peacefully,* on 17 October, 1978. Cremation at Lodge Hill Crematorium, Selly Oak, Birmingham, on Friday, Oct. 20th, at 2.20 p.m. Sheaves only, please, to V. Morton & Sons, 705 Bristol Rd., Sth., Northfield, Birmingham 31, by 12.30 p.m.

LANGMEAD.—On October 17th, Jack Langmead, of Flansham, Sussex, peacefully released from suffering after a life enjoyed to the full. Beloved husband, father, grandpa, friend and fellow sportsman. Family cremation. Memorial service, Yarton Parish *Church, Wednesday, 25th October* at 11.30 a.m. Tributes by donation to the Diabetic Association, 3 Alfred Place, London, W.C.1.

LEWES, CYRIL HERBERT ALFRED (Bertie).—On October 15th, suddenly and unexpectedly, at the age of 70, to the great sorrow *of his wife, children and grand*children. Cremation at Lewisham Crematorium on Thursday 19th, at 12.30. Flowers may be sent to Francis Chappell & Sons, 1 Belmont Hill, S.E.13.

McMULLEN.—In hospital following a car accident Patrick and Yvonne McMullen of Stonyhills, near Ware, Herts. Beloved parents of Beatrice (Bunny), Ruth and Michael. And Grandparents of Penny, Helen and Patrick. Funeral service at Holy Trinity Church, Bengeo, Hertford. On Monday, October 23rd, at 2 p.m. Flowers may be sent to Stonyhills or donations if desired to R.N.L.I. or R.S.P.B., c/o Michael McMullen, Stonyhills.

MALLAM.—Lt. Col. The Reverend George Leslie, Bar at Law C.S.I. and C.I.E., of Abbey Place, Clifford Rd., Pershore, peacefully at his home on 17th Oct., aged 85 yrs., beloved husband of Piro and father of David Marcus and Anne. Funeral service at Pershore Abbey at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 21st Oct., followed by cremation, family flowers only. Donations may be given to the Mallam Welfare Centre, *Pakistan, c/o of Mrs. Mallam,* Abbey Place, Pershore, Worcestershire.

MAYO.—On 15th October, 1978, at Mount Vernon Hospital, Marjorie Mayo, M.B.E., aged 71 yrs., of Chorley Wood, late of the Ministry of Defence (Air), beloved sister of Ida. No flowers, by request, but donations if desired to Cancer Research Campaign, 2 Carlton House Terrace, London, SW1A 5AR.

NORTON.—On Oct. 17th, in hospital at Newark, Anthony Marcus, aged 68, of Hutton-le-Hole, North Yorks. Service at York Crematorium, Fri., Oct. 20th, at 11.00 a.m.

POWELL, WILLIAM MORGAN JONES.—Late of Glanafon, Fenniach, Brecon, aged 72 years, at Brecon War Memorial Hospital, on 18th October, 1978. Funeral service at Brecon Cathedral on Saturday, 21st October at 10 a.m. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to Friend s of Brecon Cathedral, c/o Williams Brothers, Funeral Directors, Market St., Brecon.

QUARTERMAINE.—On 17th October, 1978, after a short illness, Sir Allan Quartermaine, C.B.E., M.C., F.I.C.E. Service Golders Green Crematorium, Tuesday 24th October, at 3.30 p.m. Family flowers only, all friends welcome.

ROCHFORD.—On Saturday, 7th October, in Worcester, aged 79, Sidney William, devoted husband of Molly and beloved father and grandfather.

SPOONER.—On October 9th, Derek Richard, Commander RN (retired), aged 57, of the Manor House, Martin, Hants. Dearly loved husband of Patricia and father of Richard and Jane. Suddenly, 12 days after a road accident. Funeral at All Saints' Martin on Monday the 23rd, at 2.30 pm.

VAUGHAN.—On October 16th, 1978 at Hendre, Newport, Dyfed. Peacefully, in her hundred and third year, Elizabeth, devoted wife of the late Alderman J. O. Vaughan, and beloved mother of Margaret, Evan and Benjamin (Bishop of Swansea and Brecon). Funeral strictly private in Nevern Church, on Friday.

WATERS.—On Mon. 16th Oct., suddenly at Southend General Hospital, Alfred Hayward, aged 77 yrs. Cremation Southend Crematorium, on Mon., 23rd Oct., at 11.30 a.m. Flowers *may be sent to F. P. Gulver &* Sons Ltd., 641 South Church Road, Southend-on-Sea.

WILDBUR.—On 17 October, 1978, at St. James Hospital, King's Lynn, Wilfred Robert Wildbur, aged 86 years (former Mayor of the Borough of King's Lynn 1959-60). Dearest husband of Mabs, of 79 Vancouver Avenue, King's Lynn, dear father of Ruth and John, loving grandad of Louise, Henry and Robert. Civic funeral service at St. Margaret's Church, King's Lynn, on Monday, October 23rd, at 11 a.m., followed by interment at Gayton Road Cemetery. All flowers, please, to the Chapels of Rest, P. H. Eayers and Son, 42-43 Railway Road, King's Lynn.

WILLIAMSON. — On October 14, peacefully at Barnet Hospital, Dennis Walter, of 112 Longland Drive, Totteridge, N.20. Dearly loved husband of Peig and loving *Dad to Adrian. Requiem Mass at* St. Mary Magdalen Church, Whetstone, N.20, at 12 noon, Friday, October 20. Followed by local interment. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations to Friends of Highgate School, Highgate, London, N.6.

WOOD.—On 16 October, 1978, peacefully in St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, Christine Florence Wood of Howards Thicket, Gerrards Cross, Bucks., beloved wife of Leonard. Funeral service will take place at Fulmer Parish Church, on Monday October 23, at 3.20 p.m. Flowers may be *sent to H. C. Grimstead Ltd.,* of Chalfont St. Peter, Gerrards Cross, Bucks.

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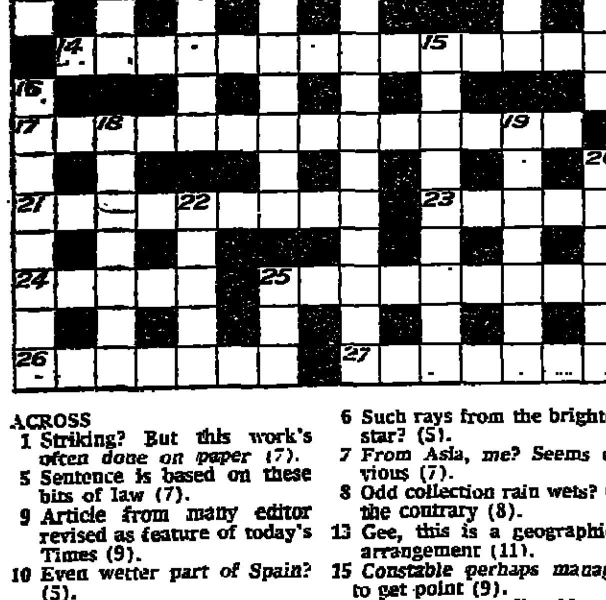
A Memorial Service for the late Robert Auty, M.A., D.Litt., F.B.A., Professor of Comparative Slavonic Philology, Fellow of Brasenose College, 1965 to 1978, will be held in the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford, on Saturday, November 18, 1978, at 2.30 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

CLAPPERTON, G. D.—In loving remembrance of Jock.—Margery.

DICK.—In loving memory.—Bahdie and Bobble.

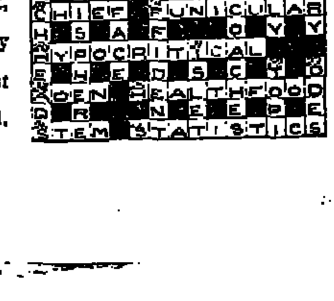
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ACROSS
1 Striking? But this work's often *done on paper* (7).
5 Sentence is based on these bits of law (7).
9 Article from many editor revised as feature of today's Times (9).
10 Even *wetter part of Spain?* (5).
11 Defeat dismissed party (5).
12 Stun, as Pooh would, compatriot of Kanga? (5, 4).
14 Where to spend one term at Oxford ? (7, 7).
17 Left song for top player to add key (14).
21 Naval hero revelling in disorder (9).
23 Antelope belonging to island in Med returned (5).
24 Gigantic set, note, in production of mine (5).
25 A safe trip—go round, following main routes (9).
26 *But 12's in no difficulty up* here (3-4).
27 Look down on poetry in out-of-date language (7).

DOWN
1 *Doctor put inside for caper* (6).
2 He wants total agreement, from all accounts (7).
3 A fluky hit, as he nearly missed? (9).
4 Delivery is part of 27, but not 25 down (7, 4).
5 Kingston's capital, it's said, of this island (3).
6 Such rays from the brightest star? (5).
7 *From Asia, me? Seems obvious* (7).
8 Odd collection rain wets? On the contrary (8).
13 Gee, this is a geographical arrangement (11).
15 *Constable perhaps manages* to get point (9).
16 Like boxers trading blows—in ring (4-4).
18 Studied by proof-reader? Article more incorrect (7).
19 So Bible (RV) has *political* influence (7).
20 Dog taken by Darwin on his travels (6).
22 Cover for dial—caller must remove it (5).
25 Make sure of episcopal office (3).

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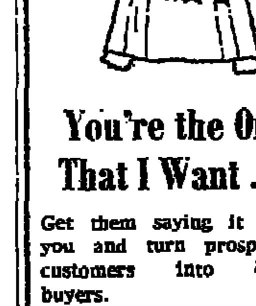
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POPPLEWELL nee COLE, FANNY LOUISA POPPLEWELL nee COLE, widow, late of Birchy Hill Nursing Home, Sway, Lymington, Hampshire, died there on 17th December, 1977. (Estate about £23,500).
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CONSTRUCTION

This Special Report looks at some of the latest developments in what has become the fastest-growing industry in the Arab world. A conference and exhibition on Middle East Development—The Future Challenge is being held in Dubai from October 29

Western contractors face stiff competition

/ John D. Allen

ıe heart of the Arab world the Arabian peninsula. In is vast desert region a ansformation is going on ich must in time have its pact on the world's eco- my. Arabia's oil wealth well known as the founda- in of its newly found ancial strength but less ll known is the creation an economic powerhouse the Middle East that esages a new industrial volution.

The Middle East, and udi Arabia in particular, not just a supplier of oil energy hungry countries, is becoming a leading er of hydrocarbon re- urces, in the form of crude l and its associated natural ses. Saudi Arabia, now the middle phase of its cond development plan, is ilding up capital-intensive mplexes employing the ogdom's rich resources. ı this basis, new manufac- ring industries will emerge offer powerful competi- on to the West.

Not many years ago the esence of an oil industry Saudia Arabia made itself vious by the tall stacks hich poured out searing ares of gas night and day. housands of millions of ibic feet of precious gases ere wasted on the desert r. Now all that is chang- ıg. All this material, rich r hydrocarbon fuels and w materials, is being col- cted in a national gas athering project to supply ıe industrialization pro- ramme.

The developer and opera- or of this vast industrial sys- em is Aramco (the Arabian merican Oil Company), now wned and controlled by the audi Government. As far ack as 1974 it was estimated iat 3,000.000 million cu ft gas associated with crude il production was being urnt every day. This is now eing collected for treatment id processing, so that it an be sold on the world arkets or supplied in bulk the new industrial com- lexes.

Though Aramco is Saudi-controlled, the American influence there is still powerful. This presence is augmented by the United States Corps of Engineers which undertakes the building of many key defence projects and much important civil engineering development as well.

The deep involvement of American industry and commerce in Saudi Arabia shows itself in the vast scale of industrial development. The gas-gathering programme, for example, is one of the biggest engineering and construction works undertaken anywhere in the world. It is employing most of America's designers and builders expert in the management of pipelines, refineries and process plant. One contractor, the Fluor Corporation, expected to employ about 30,000 men at the peak of activity on this project.

This commitment of American resources is one reason why British contractors have not made a great deal of headway in Saudi Arabia, undoubtedly the most dynamic construction market in the Middle East.

The hydrocarbon exploitation programme is on too vast a scale for most British contractors. They have taken a cautious attitude towards this segment of the Arab market, being wary of committing themselves too far in one region of the world.

For all its attractiveness in terms of business opportunities, Saudi Arabia has not been an easy country for the private contractor to work in. This is not because of the climate or the social environment but of the onerous contract conditions which Saudi clients are apt to demand, including fixed-price bids in a period when inflation has been running at 30 to 40 per cent.

The caution of the British, and indeed European contractors generally, allied to the Saudis' own search for wider sources of construction capacity, have created golden opportunities for international contracting firms emerging from the Far East and notably South Korea.

They have stepped in with low prices, ample funds and cast-iron guarantees backed by their governments as a matter of economic policy. These Far Eastern contractors bring with them reliable and disciplined labour and keep it under firm control. The European contractor, in contrast, recruits most of his labour from agencies, usually in India or Pakistan, and he is likely to lose his men just as easily as he takes them on.

So the Western contractors operating in the Middle East find themselves under severe competitive pressures without much help from their governments. This, of course, varies with the economic policies of each government: the Germans are doing well because of the close links that exist between their contracting companies and the financial institutions. Germany's political leaders also take a keen interest in the promotion of overseas trade which these days often depends on the ability of the contractor to provide financial as well as construction skill.

As the Saudis push ahead with creation of new wealth-generating industries based on hydrocarbon resources, vast contracts for pipelines and petrochemical plants are being awarded to the world's oil and chemical constructors. At the same time a huge programme of public service development is in hand with the aim of clearing the transport and communications blockages that are impeding Saudi Arabia's development.

Two of the biggest projects under way are the creation of industrial complexes at Jubayl and Yanbu. These are so important to the Saudi economy that a royal commission has been set up to guide and supervise construction. Several important contracts have been let in connexion with the Jubayl industrial area. These include the management contract with Bechtel Corporation; a commercial port with 16 berths for general cargo handling—a project so big that it has been let in five separate contracts, with a sixth for ancillary equipment.

All these have been let to our competitors even though design is in the hands of the British consulting engineers, Sir William Halcrow & Partners.

Jubayl will also have an industrial harbour for importing raw materials such as iron ore, limestone and alumina. Such facilities are the forerunners of iron and steel works, cement plants and aluminium smelting. Into Jubayl, also will pour the rich gases gathered from the oilfields.

These are the raw materials for propane, butane and natural gasoline; ethane will be recovered for use as feedstock in the petrochemical plants; sulphur will also be recovered in commercial quantities. Six processing centres are being built to purify the gas before transmission, each in itself a major process plant contract.

An important feature of the gas-gathering programme is the trans-peninsular pipeline to deliver natural gas liquids and ethane to the Red Sea port of Yanbu. Work is already in hand at Yanbu reclaiming thousands of acres for the provision of new transit sheds, warehouses and storage areas.

Yanbu industrial zone is envisaged mainly as an oil and gas refining area but at Jubayl there are firm plans for petrochemical complexes with an output of two million tonnes a year; refineries, including one for lubricating oil; an integrated iron and steel works producing 3,500,000 tonnes of finished steel a year and one of the biggest aluminium smelting plants in the world.

These industrial developments require huge amounts of electric power, and development of generating capacity is proceeding at an unprecedented rate. Power capacity is scheduled to increase more than threefold during the period of the present development plan, from 1,300 to about 4,500MW.

In the Eastern Province, where big blocks of power will be needed by industry, Aramco has been authorized to undertake an integrated electricity project to meet the area's industrial and domestic needs.

This brief account by no means exhausts the list of vast construction projects now afoot in Saudi Arabia. Nor does it cover the growing impetus which the Saudis are giving to development work in other parts of the Arab world. It is merely a sketch of the industrial transformation taking place which is bound in the 1980s to have an important impact on the pattern of world industry.

Saudi Arabia is not the only country in the Arabian peninsula to have undertaken such a vast project. Tiny in comparison, the island shaikhdom of Bahrain has been developing at speed over the past few years and has already established the first dry dock and the first aluminium smelter in The Gulf region.

Rapidly catching up is the small but commercially powerful emirate of Dubai, whose new dry dock facility (built by British contractors) is scheduled for completion soon. When it comes into operation next year, it will be the finest facility of its kind in the world. Some scepticism has been expressed about the extent to which it will be used by the world's shipping.

The build-up of work at Dubai may well be slow because of the world recession in shipping. But what is not generally recognized is that the dry-dock area is an industrial facility of the first importance and will introduce to this part of the world engineering techniques that are available only in Europe, the United States or the Far East.

Places such as Dubai are not relying solely on port and docking facilities. A little way down the coast is the new industrial complex of Jebel Ali. In Dubai the growth of new industry is not a pipe-dream, something on the drawing board. It is taking shape rapidly, using the best in design and equipment to create efficient production centres which rely on minimum employment and maximum technology.

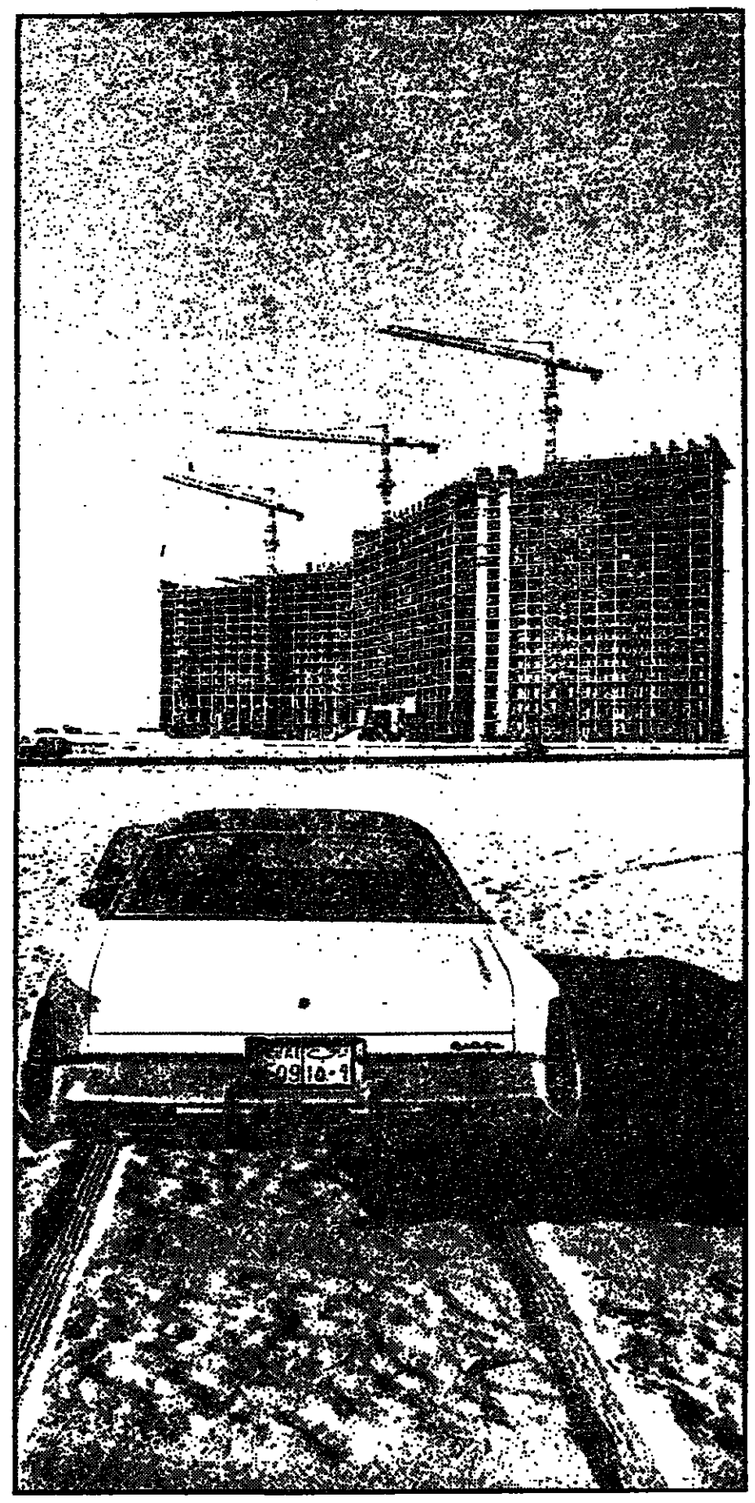
This vast surge of industrial growth is presenting many opportunities to Western industrialists. British manufacturing companies are taking a fair share of the business but this often depends on the presence of big civil and mechanical engineering contractors from Britain. For example, in the aluminium smelter at Dubai, large industrial orders are coming to Britain but then the whole project is basically designed, built and financed from British resources.

That is why it is so important that the British Government should take a close interest in these huge industrial opportunities and back up the British contractors to a much greater extent, not only in finance but in political initiatives.

There is little prospect of any immediate moves along these lines in view of the impending election. In these circumstances, it is small wonder that the commentators should forecast hard times ahead for British contractors in this heartland of Arabia.

This is doubly unfortunate because they were among the pioneers of overseas contracting. Now they must stand by as their better-backed competitors snatch the big prizes. If our front-line exporting industries are experiencing a business recession, it can only be a matter of time before the effects reach the home industries.

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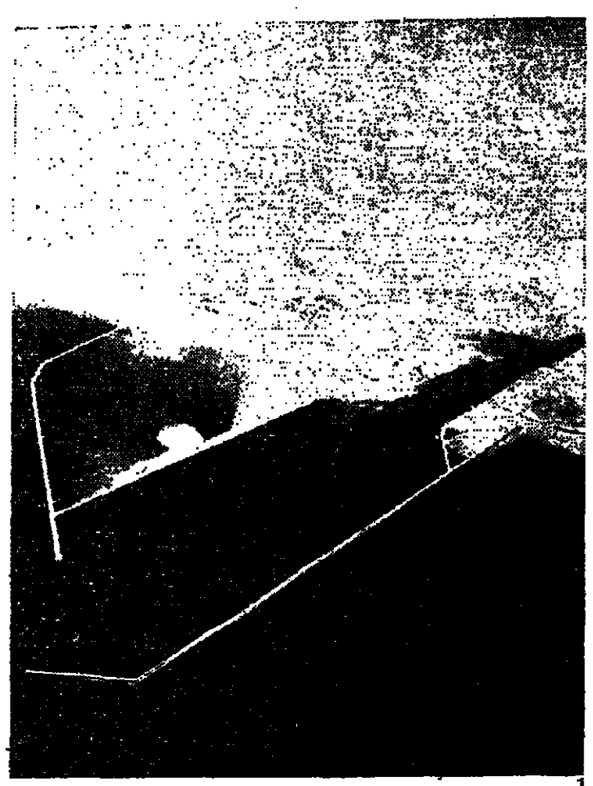
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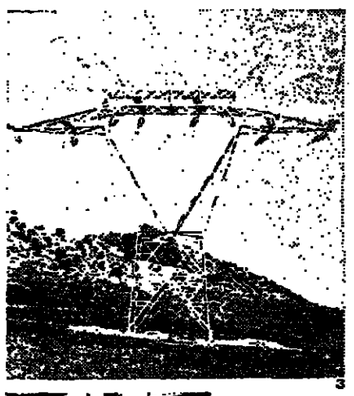
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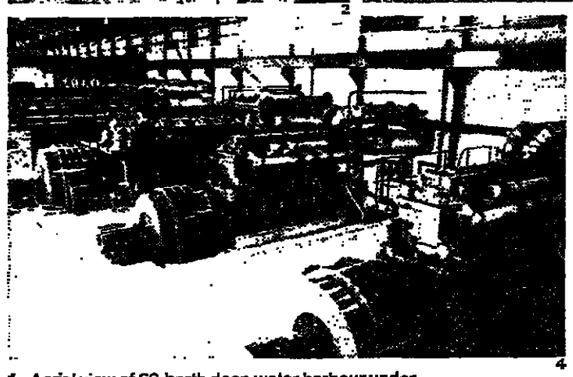
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EGYPT

Reservoir fills in rhythm with annual floods

by J. H. Stephens

Was the Aswan High Dam a good investment? Has it created wealth or did it suck dry Egypt's investment capital to the detriment of other, more profitable, alternative projects? Has it had bad side effects ecologically? Has it created public health problems?

The dam has had a bad press throughout the world and has perhaps become a symbol of the sinister side effects attributed to mammoth projects. It is now seven years since the completion of its construction. The reservoir has been filled to within a few metres of its top level; and experience of the dam in use has accumulated. So it is now possible to look at what the dam has achieved and at its drawbacks. These are matters of concern to almost everyone who is involved in the development movement.

There is no question that the dam has changed the Nile. North of Aswan, it is now a different river: it flows with clear water, and the excesses of the natural flood never occur.

In its engineering aspects the dam has behaved well—rather better than might have been expected. Its economic performance seems, on the face of it, to be at least equally good. A cost-benefit study, covering all aspects of its function, has apparently never been made. But events in 1964 and 1972 have been analysed, and it is claimed that the dam's performance in those two years alone has repaid the cost of building it.

In 1964, construction was in progress and it became posible for the first time to store some water. The flood that year was high, and by holding back as much of the flood as possible, damage downstream was avoided. In 1972 the flood was abnormally low, and without storage behind the dam, at least a million acres of irrigated land would have been without water and a major disaster would have occurred.

The dam's primary function is to regulate the flow of the Nile in two ways. It holds back the annual flood, releasing down the river as much water as the irrigated lands demand — less in winter, more in summer. Its reservoir is so vast, however, that it gives over-year storage as well, such that about the same total quantity of water can be guaranteed every year.

In an average year, the Nile discharges just over 80 cu km of water, but low years of about 40 cu km (such as 1978) and high years of about 150 cu km are on record. Evening out this big variation is perhaps the cardinal function of the dam. Irrigated acerages can then be extended in the confident knowledge that they will have water every year. With the dam big enough to do this, a head is created and hydroelectric power can be generated. The power, if subsidiary to the main purpose, is a massive and lucrative benefit.

Contrary to the dire predictions made when the dam was proposed, the reservoir has filled in rhythm with the annual floods. Losses from the reservoir—by evaporation and seepage—have been close to the predicted figure of 10 cu km a year. That is a huge quantity (the annual flow of the Thames is about 3 cu km) and is a loss that dwarfs some of the more widely quoted disadvantages of the dam, but at least the prediction was reasonably accurate, as is now confirmed by several years' experience, latterly with the reservoir almost full.

Downstream, basin irrigation was changed to the perennial method, and the extent of the latter increased, more or less as expected. Power is being generated to the extent of just over half of Egypt's total consumption of electricity, limited in winter by the irrigation demand, again as expected. And the loans have been repaid.

Loss of the Nile silt is still regretted by those who farm the land, although in theory it is of little importance. New materials have had to be found to replace it for making bricks. Digging up old silt for brickmaking has been stopped.

A glut of sardines, caught every flood just off the coast of the delta, has disappeared. The fishermen were compensated, but the glut has gone, nobody really knows why.

The clear post-dam water was potentially able to cause scour damage at barrages below Aswan, but this has been less than expected, and the danger of it has now been permanently averted.

Productivity of the irrigated land is not as high as it might be, and some critics blame the dam; supply of water is generous, so the water table rises, and productivity is reduced. The irrigators, however, are scornful of this criticism, and say it has nothing to do with the dam. Pumps are the answer. Pumps were always needed; they have not been installed because of the country's economic troubles. Why blame the dam for that?

The public health aspect of irrigation presents a grave problem because of the prevalence of the disease, bilharzia. It has increased since the dam was finished, as far as can be judged, for there has never been a survey of its extent among the population of Egypt. The change from basin to perennial irrigation encourages the spread of bilharzia. This has been known since perennial irrigation was introduced when the first Aswan dam was completed early in this century. A tenfold increase in the incidence of the disease can be expected if measures are not taken to prevent it.

Egypt has to have the water, whether from the dam or from some other expedient. The choice was to do nothing, or to have the water and then also fight the disease.

If people neither micturated nor defaecated into the canals or drains, there would be no disease. That simple requirement is a practical impossibility; other methods of cure or control are uncertain. The best policy for reducing the disease was explained to me as health education—not just propaganda, but intensive education on the cycle of the disease and its effects—directed mainly at children and young people who are the ones at risk, combined with other measures (free treatment is already available) such as a shower in every village.

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Forceful drive under canal

by Kenneth Brown

Though nobody will say so officially, the prime purpose of the tunnel which British contractors are driving beneath the Suez Canal is military. The roadway dimensions are sized to take tanks, and tucking the ventilation shaft underground, at great expense, makes the tunnel a less obvious target, at least from the ground.

However, this does not make building the tunnel any less praiseworthy. The official reason, to encourage development of the Sinai desert region on the canal's east bank by linking it with the arable west bank, is real enough. True, the tunnel is not part of any comprehensive highway plan for Egypt and nobody is quite sure how much traffic will use it. But in the fullness of time, a new highway network is sure to grow round it and take in three more trans-Suez tunnels which the Egyptians say they will build when — and if — sufficient finance is available.

The tunnel will cost £70m on present estimates. It is not being built where the Egyptians originally wanted it at El Shatt but 5 km farther north near El Shallufa, some 13 km up the canal from Port Suez. This is because of a geological fault at the original site discovered by the contractors, which is a fifty-fifty joint venture between Tarmac Overseas based in London and the biggest indigenous contractor, Osman Ahmed Osman.

A pilot tunnel has already been driven, revealing the ground to be favourable all the way. That would have been most unlikely to occur were the tunnel being driven beneath a natural watercourse with all the probability of faults and fissures in the rock.

The distance between portals is more than a mile, 1.74 km to be exact, and the rock is a firm mudstone which lends itself to machine tunnelling like the chalk beneath the English Channel. The pilot tunnel, 3.7 metres in diameter and 300 metres long, was driven by mechanical shield to prove the ground immediately beneath the canal and for about 130 metres each side of it where exploratory drilling from the surface was not practicable. This shield, of a design first used on London's Fleet Line, came second-hand from Bangkok and has been written off.

The much bigger main shield was built by a German firm Bade & Theelen, which beat off British competition on both price and delivery. Delivery was six weeks late and the machine has only just got down to work. However, the contractors are confident that it will take no more than a year to chew its way from the west portal the full 1.74 km to the east, placing the concrete lining segments as it goes. By an ingenious method of constructing the roadway deck in huge precast concrete slabs following closely behind the shield, they reckon to have the tunnel open to traffic sometime in 1980.

The casting yard for the 10.8 metre wide precast roadway deck and for the verticle dividers which separate the ventilation and service ducts beneath is situated on the West Bank and has been churning out units for some time. Use of precasting greatly cuts down the work to be done inside the tunnel, and this can be arranged so that it does not interfere with the flow of excavated material being taken back from the face by conveyor. The shield itself has required chromium plating of its vital parts because of high chloride content in the ground.

At the end of the contract it will become the property of the client, the Egyptian Government, and it could be used on the remaining Suez tunnels.

The shield is not what is termed a full-face machine, but is of the open-fronted type with three mechanical excavator arms. They hack away at the ground in front and deliver spoil to a hopper from which it is removed by a system of conveyors. Forward shove is provided by hydraulic rams which react against the precast concrete lining segments in position behind the shield.

The land each side of the tunnel is flat, yet the approach cuttings bring the total length up to 4.2 km. This is because the tunnel descends to a depth of 50 metres to allow the canal itself to be deepened at some future date.

The excavation to form the approach cuttings is great, approximately 1,700,000 cu metres all told, nearly all rock.

The approach cut on the West Bank close to the contractors' headquarters is complete but there is still much to do on the east bank.

In addition to the cutting on the West Bank, a concrete portal had to be built within which to erect the main shield. It is being put in position on the face and will begin full production at the end of the month.

The joint venture has retained Sir William Halcrow and Partners in London as the consulting engineers. The contract employs an Arab workforce of 500, with engineering and supervision in the hands of staff from both the joint venture partners. The official language is English.

Construction materials are largely available locally. Apart from special cement imported from Germany for the permanent lining segments and other precast works, the rest of the cement is coming from local sources.

There is a fair amount of British equipment on site, including NCK 1405 cranes and DJB and Foden dumptrucks, alongside continental makes. The equipment is all owned by the joint venture, most of it having been bought new rather than being obtained from either partner. All of this makes the project a joint venture in the true sense, and one that seems to be working.

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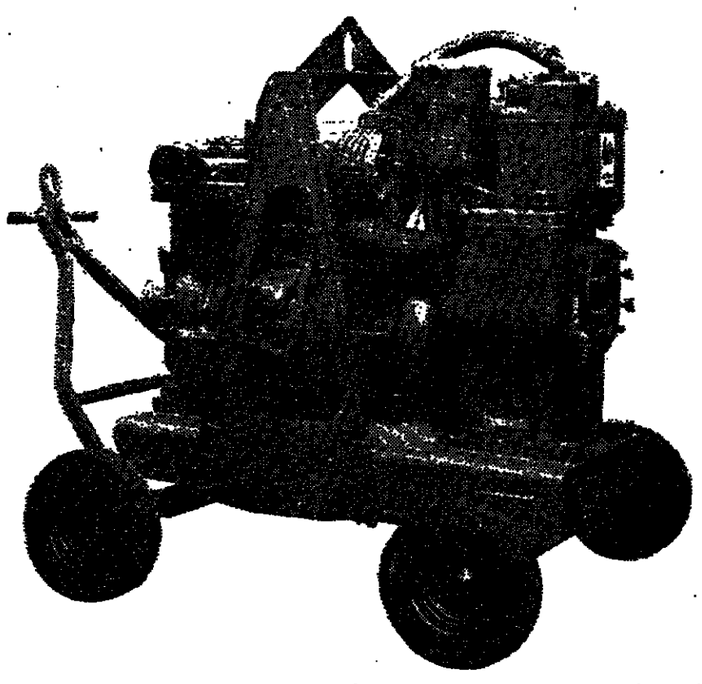
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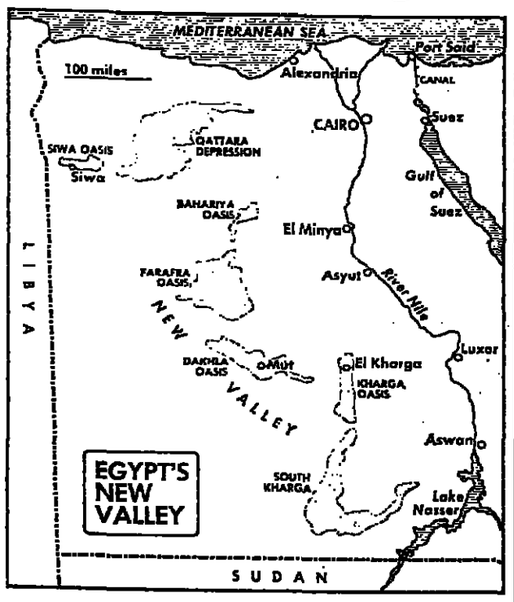
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EGYPT

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In the depressions, the rock crust has been eroded and water can be mined from the aquifer by pumping against a head of 100 or 150 metres. At full development a yield of 2.5 cu km of water a year (compared with an annual average flow of the Nile of about 80 cu km) is feasible.

Given an assured supply of water, there are then problems of soil analysis, choice of crops and methods of irrigation, that are perhaps equally important. They have been studied to the point where a prototype pilot farm has been fully designed in detail and is expected to be put to use next year.

One view of this work put to me was that there had been too many academic discussions; all that remained to be proved was whether it was practicable and economic.

Development in the New Valley is starting almost from nothing. Some roads have been built, and there is today a population of 100,000 in the area. Farafra, for example, exists in nature as an oasis with 100 *feddans* of green land, but South Kharga is not populated.

Plans are based on 1,000 *feddans* of irrigated areas, each a unit that can be repeated as convenience or soil characteristics dictate, giving green units or groups, separated by desert. Housing or perhaps industry. About five *feddans* would support one family, and about 150 to 200 *feddans* would be supplied from one well.

Mining of phosphates and iron ore, and exploration for oil beneath the aquifer are industrial activities that are expected. The regional plan envisages a capital city for the region in the Farafra area, but it has no name yet.

The scientific and technological bases for settling the New Valley seem to present no unduly difficult obstacles. It seems that the greatest difficulty could be a social one—simply that of persuading people to go and live there. One suggestion is that graduates who have just qualified could be offered plots of land in the New Valley.

In this way it is hoped that a young population intelligently aware of the needs and difficulties of the new settlements might become established as the nucleus preceding a balanced community. With this venture, and the policy of trying to resettle the shores of Lake Nasser, Egypt thus in the 1980s will be offering a Wild West style frontier to the more adventurous among its expanding population.

By the mid-1980s, Egypt will need another big source of electrical energy. The Nile will be fully exploited. One other interesting natural source of water power exists. If water were diverted from the Mediterranean to the edge of the Qattara Depression, a distance of 76km, a substantial head would be available for the generation of hydroelectric power.

A continuous output of electrical energy of about 300MW, continuing for about 50 years, would fill the depression to about 60 metres below sea level. A lake at that level would have a volume of more than 200 cu km (compared with the 164 cu km of Lake Nasser).

Long-term output of power would then depend on balancing inflow against rate of evaporation of the lake. A number of possibilities exist for improving this crude balance, for example by combining a pumped storage scheme with the main diversion.

Evaporative hydroelectric schemes are well known in a theoretical sense, but it seems likely that the Qattara Depression scheme will be the first one actually built.

Detailed planning studies have shown that there will be dramatic advantages in cost and in the scheme's flexibility if it is based on a diversion canal excavated by nuclear explosives.

Published estimates quote a cost of £E800m for driving tunnels between the sea and the depression, but only £E130m for a canal excavated with nuclear explosives. Clean explosions that do not contravene any treaty are being investigated with a certain optimism.

Tunnellers claim that they have revolutionized their art in recent years, but a cost factor of about six is surely far too much for them to compete with.

The Qattara Depression Authority was formed in 1976. Elaborate studies of all aspects of the scheme are in progress, and are scheduled to be finished this year. This has all been organized with the aim of generating the first power from stage one of the scheme by 1987. Subsequent stages of construction would continue until the year 2000.

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LIBYA

Revolution based on Koran

y Garry Ridgway

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Properties were sub-standard: *maintenance unheard of*. With such a legacy, the new regime's immediate aim was to introduce a programme to provide a good home for every Libyan by 1982.

It is expected that by 1981 more than £2,200m will have been spent on housing. Design simplicity is encouraged. At a cost of £60m prefabrication factories have been installed in Tripoli, the capital, and Benghazi. Home construction is averaging 13 units for each 1,000 people, higher than in many Western countries.

Britain cannot afford to ignore Libya, even if credit backing is lower than for other countries more amenable to the British construction industry. Fortunately *Britain's once intransigent* attitude to Libya and its politics appears to be changing. Contractors are responding to the vigorous workload offered there, seeing Japanese, Cypriots, Germans and even Italians—who were once conquerors—vying for impressive jobs.

The largest contract now under way is the £500m construction of an iron and steel works at Misurata, east of Tripoli. When complete in 1985 it will have capacity to produce between five million and seven million tonnes of stock annually, and will have its own town port and desalination plant. A pipeline from natural gas fields to the east will fuel the works.

Irrigation is of major concern to Libya. Rainfall is intermittent and there are no natural rivers. To water desert land south of Benghazi a £500m sewage recycling scheme is under way. The scheme has the dual purpose of treating the expanding city's sewage and, after cycling effluent through microstrainers and chlorination, channelling it for irrigation to save precious ground water.

New drainage and sewerage for coastal cities—Tobruk, Tripoli, Derna—have been planned. Refuse disposal plants are being built, as are incinerators for hospital and abattoir waste.

Handling capacity at the ports is being enlarged. A Yugoslav consortium completed its £45m construction of a new port, east of Tripoli, in June. The same group won a £60m contract several months ago for expansion of Qasr Ahmad port at Misurata.

Airports at Brach, 600 km south of Tripoli, and Ghat near the Algerian border are being expanded under contracts won by the International Airport Authority, an Indian *state-owned* company.

The constructional revolution has introduced lucrative work for foreign companies. Colonel Gaddafi is not going to offer too much to the British Government and British engineering entrepreneurs. But forgetting past prejudice would prepare a better platform for engineers dealing with this prosperous country.

The author is on the staff of Construction News.

Any profitable package welcome

"Do not nationalize your construction industry", Mr Ismail Osman advised. "We have had that experience. Nationalization of construction in Egypt was a complete failure."

Mr Ismail Osman is the nephew of Mr Osman Ahmed Osman, the founder of the firm of Arab Contractors, and he is the technical manager of that organization. Another uncle, Mr Hussain Osman, is managing director. The founder is now honorary chairman, but active as member of Parliament for Ismailia.

"Arab Contractors was a unique case", Mr Ismail Osman continued. "We had freedom in decision-making, incentives and management. That special position was achieved because the firm was contractor for the Aswan High Dam, and keeping the dam's construction on schedule was a paramount aim. President Nasser died soon after completion of the dam, and the firm's special position was never changed. Management stayed with us and the spirit of the private sector prevailed. In one sense it was ideal, because all money was ploughed back into the company."

Also, he pointed out, the company was permitted to form private sector companies outside Egypt, which brought in foreign exchange. These companies could draw on the skills of the parent and competed internationally, so keeping the whole concern up to date.

Today the parent is the largest company in Egypt. It has 40,000 people on its payroll, and a turnover of £E200m (this year's estimated figure—£E160m in 1977) plus another £E30m to £E35m outside Egypt.

"We are restructuring the organization of the company", Mr Osman said, "with as much decentralization as possible. Every department is a profit centre with its own separate budget, and a head with full authority, except for a few central services. Furthermore, the company has a policy of diversifying that started under the new Egyptian laws with the establishment of joint ventures."



The list of these joint ventures is already impressive, and covers many activities—investment, agriculture, cold storage, transport and tourism, for example. The new ventures nearly always wanted something built, so the parent company did that. Yes, it was backdoor denationalization, Mr Osman agreed, transferring from the public to the private sector.

The social side of the company had always been strong, he explained. It was clearly an aspect of Arab contractors' tradition of which he was proud. Welfare services for the company's employees and their families were comprehensive and apparently generous. Through their sports clubs they had won many national championships. The athletes financed their training by running a sportswear factory. All employees had a shareholding in each of the new joint ventures. If an engineer introduced a saving in the cost of constructional work, 10 per cent of that saving was paid to him. In this way *some engineers tripled their incomes.*

What would he advise British companies which were interested in working in Egypt? Egypt was not saturated with overseas firms like the Gulf states, he said. There was a lack of capacity. But it was also necessary to compete. There was no more cheap labour available. Building tradesmen were among the highest paid. A carpenter could earn £E5 for a shift or up to £E150 a month: that was high for Egypt, and about equal to an under-secretary's salary in government. A roof tiler could earn £E10 a day.

So his advice was: "Come with a complete package". Thirty-five international banks had set up branches in Egypt in the past two and a half years. There was no problem with finance for properly-studied, viable projects.

Under a new law, a proposal had to be approved by the Development Authority in six weeks. He gave as an example the Japanese-Egyptian Economic Association which was beginning to be active in this way. Its vice-chairman was head of the Development Authority, which seemed to be very useful.

Collaboration with Egyptian firms was helpful but not mandatory. There were no restrictions in the free development zones. There was a market of 40 million people who had been deprived for 20 years of many facilities.

Yet Mr Osman gave warning that if the product was *for local consumption*, profits could not be exported, unless there had been import substitution, or there was some commercial route of financial adjustment. "Do not rely on government", he said. "It is limited by priorities and the competition for its projects is severe."

The Government could not carry the burden it already had. It had to help with basic services, but from that arose the need for the profit basis in development. Hence the main point again, in conclusion was that any clearly profitable package would be welcome.

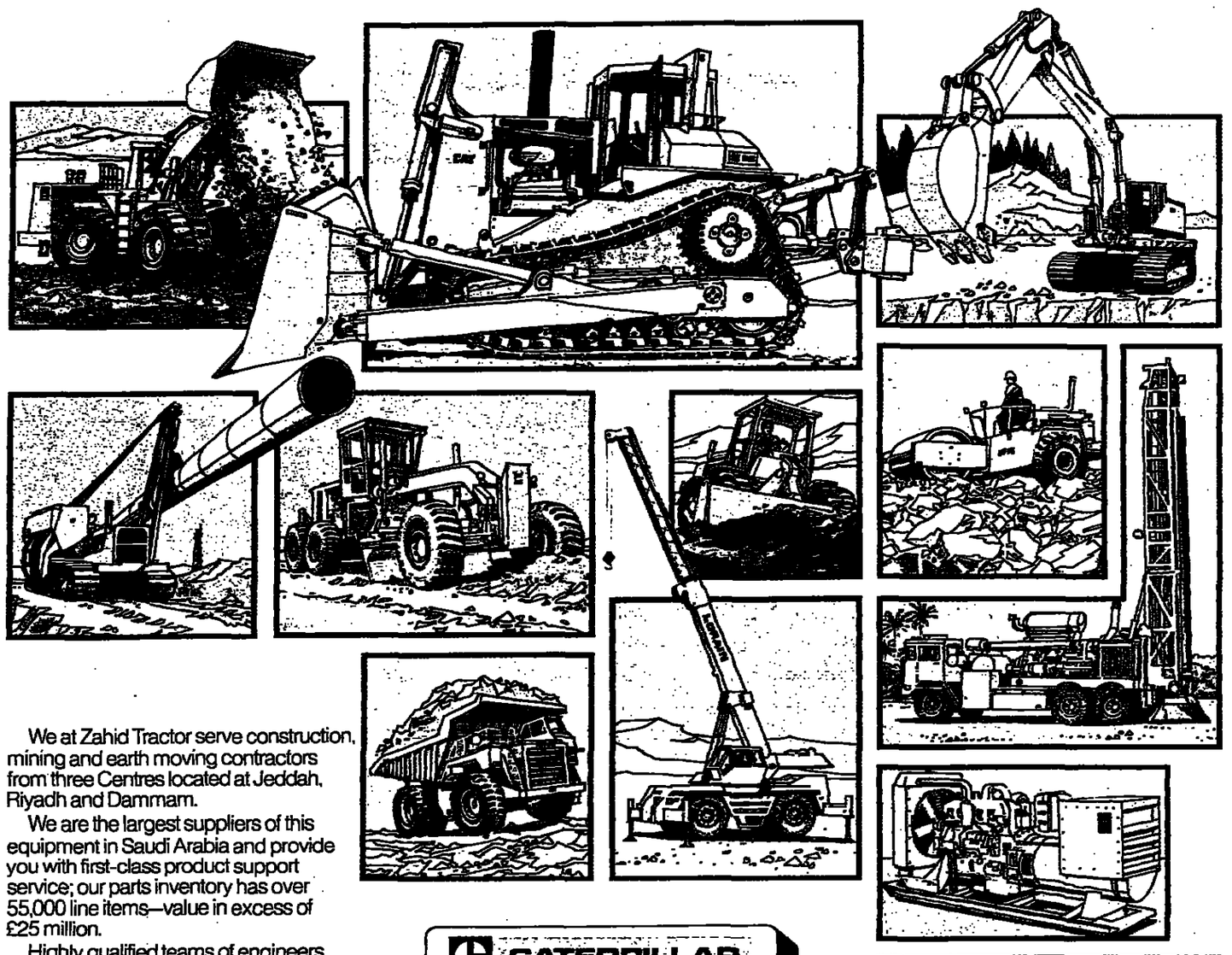
What was the future for construction in Egypt? The actual output of new work (investment capital) was about £E400m annually (Osman Contractors carries out about half of it) although the national budget figure is *about £E800m.*

Lack of capacity was one reason why the budget figure was not met. The tasks ahead, however, were challenging. There was no question in Mr Osman's mind that they were as challenging as building the High Dam. What were they? Land reclamation and agricultural projects on which the future of Egypt depended; housing and new cities like Tenth of Ramadan City, Shaikh Zaid City and Al Amrey City; and schemes like the Cairo metro and the Qatara Depression hydroelectric scheme. In short, the future required nothing less than to build the country's basic structure. But the Middle East crisis formerly overshadowed the whole scene.

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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Dream of Dubai's Ruler takes shape

by Kenneth Brown

Whether the small Gulf state of Dubai really needs a new seaport after the massive expansion of the existing Port Rashid in recent years is not really the right question to ask. It is getting one because the Ruler says so; at Mina Jebel Ali, about 30 km along the coast south-west of Dubai, the capital, and close to the border with the neighbouring state of Abu Dhabi.

Mina Jebel Ali (Mina means port and Jebel means hill) has long been the dream of Dubai's Ruler, Shaikh Rashid bin Said al-Maktoum. On a site which, little more than two years ago, was just a barren stretch of desert foreshore, two huge land-locked basins capable of taking the biggest cargo ships afloat, a tanker jetty and a mushrooming industrial complex are taking shape. By the end of the century Jebel Ali could be a new industrial city of *300,000 inhabitants with its* own international airport.

Apart from a genuine desire on the part of Shaikh Rashid to bring business to Dubai ready for the day the oil begins to run out, Jebel Ali's closeness to the border can mean only one thing: *the hope that it may exceed* the city of Abu Dhabi in importance and become the natural capital of the emirates.

But there is a long way to go before that could happen. Right now more than a million cubic metres of material a week are being dug, blasted or dredged in this big attempt to assure the state's future economy. Two multi-national groups of civil engineering contractors, in both of which Britain has a stake, are grappling with the problems of creating a *seaport where nature has* not helped in any way.

Water deep enough for the largest shipping is 17 km off shore and a 16 metres deep approach channel is being carved out of the rock in the seabed by dredger. The flagship of the dredging fleet has been built in Japan for £10m and is specially designed for the project. It stands on retractable legs so that the rock cutter on its underwater boom can continue working during spells of rough weather that would *defeat conventional floating*



Aveling-Barford equipment at work near Dubai's new trade centre.

equipment. And it loads into barges which do not actually butt up against it but use a computerized positioning system.

The 15 km of berths present another engineering challenge. Instead of being built conventionally along the edge of reclaimed foreshore or along finger jetties pointing out to sea, the berths at Mina Jebel Ali are going to be inland. Two huge basins and a common entrance channel are being excavated from the solid rock which lies a few metres below the desert surface and the quay walls are being built around the perimeter.

While costly in terms of men and machines, this form of construction has the advantage that there will be ample land space immediately adjacent to the berths. Shaikh Rashid believes—and events are proving him right—that this facility will be a powerful boost for attracting to Jebel Ali industries of various kinds which rely on ship-borne supplies.

British Smelter Constructions, for instance, with Wimpey one of the stakeholders, is already committed to building a £500m aluminium smelter; and other interests are building a power station, a liquefied petroleum gas plant and a hotel. Dubai Cables, jointly owned by British Insulated Callenders Cables (BICC) and the Ruler, is setting up a cable factory close to the harbour.

Other smaller-scale operations are also starting up, for example, a steel fabrication facility for a Trafalgar House company, Cleveland Bridge and Engineering Company.

So well have the various contractors performed on construction of the new port that the completion date has been brought forward a year to February 1981. That is in 4½ instead of 5½ years from the start. Shaikh Rashid *takes a personal interest in* the project which must be costing something like £1,000m, depending on how much is included.

One of the strangest features of the contracting scene at Mina Jebel Ali is that the leading partner in both joint venture contractors and the principal subcontractor is the same local firm, Dubai Transport Company (Dutco) *under its chairman* Ahmed Baker. Other partners in the dredging joint venture called Gulf-Cobla is Costain-Blankevoort, an Anglo-Dutch tie-up. BICC member Balfour Beatty Construction and the Dutch firm Stevin are Dutco's partners *in the civil joint venture* called MJAC (Mina Jebel Ali Construction).

Job begun without formal tenders

Consulting engineers responsible for the design of the scheme are Halcrow International based in Dubai with support from the parent firm Sir William Halcrow & Partners in London. To get the job off to a quick start, Shaikh Rashid appointed consultants and principal contractors without any formal tendering procedure. He staged a ceremony to launch the project officially in August 1976.

Although at this time firm designs were still lacking, the two contractors were to provide the first operational berths to a charged depth of eight metres within 18 month. That Quay 10 opened after only 16 months last December was a major achievement. Now, under the accelerated programme, the outer wet basin should be open to shipping in May 1980 and all 15km of berths early in 1981.

The total amount of material, much of it sandstone and breccia, to be shifted by dredging and dry excavation is 110 million cu metres. This is made up of the approach channel, the entrance channel and the two inland basins with their dredged depths of 14 and 11.5 metres. Concrete blocks laid in courses like giant bricks are being used for constructing 13km of quay face, that is for all except Quay 10 and part of Quay 9 where an interim design of quay wall based on steel pipe piles was used. The blockyard for producing 65,000 45-tonne unreinforced blocks and another 7,000 reinforced capping blocks is the site's major feature.

Also in the civil contract are 6km of dumped rock breakwaters and 5,400,000 cu metres of trench excavation for the quay walls in the north basin. Elsewhere excavation for the quay walls is being done as part of the excavation of the main basin under the dredging contract.

In view of the success of the dewatering system and the good progress with excavation it is probable that all the block walls in the two basins will be laid dry, the only exception being the tanker berth in the offshore reclaimed area.

A £2m investment in concrete-making plant and the block yard ensures that the speed of constructing the block wall is governed by the rate of excavation and by the availability of materials rather than by the speed of producing, transporting and laying the blocks. The normal output is 100 blocks a day and a similar number cast and placed.

Materials keep flowing to the site—5,000 tonnes of cement from Mombassa and from a new plant in Dubai, and 30,000 tonnes of gravel and crushed rock aggregate from sources within a 160 km radius arrive each week.

Dry excavation falls into two sections—5,400,000 cu metres which MJAC is having to excavate in the form of 100-metre wide trenches in which to build the block walls in the outer basin, and 31 million cu metres which are being excavated as part of the dredging contract in the inner basin by Dutco-Pauling.

Both contractors are using large fleets of hydraulic excavators to deal with the sandstone and breccia by blasting in the hard spots but Dutco-Pauling is using bucket-wheel excavators and scrapers as well. The n spoil disposal area is sc of the Abu Dhabi road in area designated for the fut city. The firm's fleet of Euclid tipper trucks rej sented at the time the gest order for such vehi ever placed.

As the work proceeds, biggest headache is likely be coordinating the dredg progress with the work dry land to make the b use of the first quays as t become available.

Abu Dhabi still buoyant

by John D. Allen

Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates, is getting a reputation in the Middle East for its sponsorship of unusual building schemes. Recently, for example, the Government accepted an hotel designed on the principle of an inverted pyramid.

It was a spectacular concept, the product of an international architectural competition. But the concept seems to have been a bit too advanced for the builders—little has been heard of it since the prizes were awarded.

Another much-talked-of scheme is the plan for a tall tourist tower 500 metres offshore from the Abu Dhabi corniche. Invitations have been issued to submit designs and it is probable that some decision will be *made before long.*

The offshore tower is feasible using modern construction techniques. At about the 130-metre level there will be a revolving restaurant, and a telecommunications centre may also be incorporated. The tower would mean Abu Dhabi rivalling Dubai by overtopping the latter's international trade centre, which at present contains the tallest building in the Middle East.

Abu Dhabi is also understood to be planning its own international trade centre. Designs are being prepared for the new UAE government centre in Abu Dhabi under the personal supervision of Shaikh Zayed, Ruler of Abu Dhabi and President of the United Arab Emirates.

One bold development scheme that is going ahead is the huge Zayed Sports City on reclaimed land outside Abu Dhabi. The first stage contains a two-tier stadium seating more than 50,000 spectators. Elliptical in plan, the Zayed sports stadium employs many of the constructional skills developed during recent advances in Western technology.

The stadium started off as the conception of a French firm of architects, Colboc and Partners. But recently overall management of this 80m project has been taken over by a British firm of consultants, White, Young and Partners.

Advanced techniques developed in Europe for building long-span prestressed concrete beams are being used by the Arab contracting firm responsible for erecting the Zayed stadium. These methods make it possible to erect a cantilevered roof structure over the seating areas. Each component of this cantilever system is built up from concrete segments cast with great accuracy.

The new stadium demonstrates that Arab firms such as Consolidated Contractors of Abu Dhabi have mastered techniques which were once the preserve of a few specialist firms in Europe. A great deal of help has been given by British firm Stelmo International, base in Kent, supplied the ere tion gear and casting equi ment that made the schen feasible. British firms a also involved in constructi and equipping the ne stadium: for example, t piling work by Frankipi and mechanical services Haden International.

Abu Dhabi is one of t centres in the region of T Gulf where construction programmes are proceedi at a fair pace despite t recession elsewhere, and d spite the Government's rece decision to cut back the r at which new developme projects are started.

The key position in t Middle East economy of t richest of the emirates secured by its great wea in oil and natural gas. this foundation, Abu Dh is building new industr centres, creating new h bours and laying down a n international airport cost about £150m.

£100m scheme for Al Ain

Abu Dhabi is also und taking imported devel ments at Al Ain, close to border with Oman. It recently placed contracts a water distribution syst main drainage and a sewage disposal works. Th jobs alone will cost m than £100m. It is inten that Al Ain will grow int desert city with residen centres and industrial esta It will also be the site of emirate's university comp

Westwards along the G coast another important dustrial project is tak shape. This is the Ru scheme, initial phases which are being designed Fluor Corporation.

The American firm been selected by the Dhabi National Oil Comp to undertake the foren role in design and const tion management of £4,000m scheme.

As in Saudi Arabia, Ruwais project relies for basic ingredients on a gathering system drawing abundant reserves of beneath the desert. New vestment is being put offshore installations, imp ing their already prodigi output. These will in t yield vast supplies of lic natural gases and feedst materials for petrochem plants.

The UAE capital has ac ted a positive policy of vesting its oil and revenues in creating an cient environment for emerging industries and attract tourist trade to region. Abu Dhabi is area of The Gulf wh steady demand for the p ducts of European indus can be expected to persis

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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

High technology is a key factor for contracts

ain's big exporting com-es have been told gely by the Overseas ects Group of the British seas Trade Board that technology content will ne of the key factors in ning future contracts seas.

he ability of contracting s to participate in equity ncing is also of growing rtance. These are two ons why, apart from intrinsic technical rest, the big aluminium ker under construction Dubai's new industrial at Jebel Ali is so impor-

he main contractor, as for milar project completed Bahrain some years der, is British Smelter structions, a joint ven- of George Wimpey and ction Trust. The Wimpey mization, both on the l and mechanical and trical sides, is under-ng a substantial part of truction work on the lter site.

ut the project, conser-vely estimated to be th $1,000m, is so large competitive firms have n invited to take up im-tant parts of the pro-mme. These have pro-d useful additions to ewhat thinning order ks in the Middle East.

he metallurgical and er technologists have n given their head in the ai Aluminium project ch, Mr Ian Livingstone, chief executive, says is lly three projects in one. only is there the prime ction of producing metal minimum 135,000 tonnes ear, but also production desalinated water at the of 25 million gallons a and more than 500MW ower.

t is on the power side of project that some of its t interesting facets lie. produce the planned ntities of metal it is essary to generate more 3,000 million units of tricity annually, enough a medium-sized town.

his will be generated by British-built power plant, pplied by Hawker ldeley Power Engineer-. There will be five gas bines each producing MW and eight rated at MW, to make up the MW capacity. In addi-n, base-load power during construction phase is ng produced by 16 erating sets supplied by bow.

Main fuel supply for the elter generating plant ll come direct from bai's natural gas re-urces in The Gulf, pro-ssed before delivery at e Dugas plant under con-uction on a site near by. e smelter will require an put of up to three million metres of dry gas a day. The waste heat from power generation will be channelled into the de-salination plant. Made up of 11 modular sections each weighing 90 tonnes, this huge plant is one of the largest of its kind in the world. It is designed to yield about 25 million gallons of processed water a day but only a small part of this is required at the plant. Much of the output will be pumped to Dubai to give a much-needed boost to muni-cipal water supplies.

Some will also be sent to the growing industrial com-plex based on Mina Jebal Ali, the new harbour being fashioned out of the desert a few kilometres along the coast. Water needs in Dubai will increase rapidly as plans for a new free trade zone take shape.

The desalination package — "desal package", as it is known — is equivalent in itself to an important con-struction contract: the mod-ular elements are being sup-plied and erected by Weir Westgarth based in Scotland.

There is also a sizable civil works content in this part of the job; for example, a reservoir for storing blend-ed water after the distilla-tion process. This and the construction element of the power package are in the hands of Al Futtaim-Wimpey, based in Dubai. Including other work elsewhere on the smelter site, Wimpey's asso-ciate company in The Gulf has about £120m worth of work to carry out—a big job by any standards.

Aluminium production is based on three potrooms, with provision for a fourth should this be sanctioned. The potrooms are supplied with their huge power re-quirement through a system of aluminium bus-bars en-circling each potline.

Six reduction buildings are being built by George Wimpey to house the pot-lines. An associated metal services facility is being pro-vided by Seltrust Engineer-ing. Maintenance and ware-house facilities are being built under a contract with Costain International, which is also undertaking building work in the metal services package.

Construction on site actually commenced late in 1975 when Shaikh Rashid, the Ruler of Dubai, laid a foundation stone. Since then he has frequently revisited the project and shown a keen interest in its progress.

Closely related to the smelter project is the sup-plies berth being construc-ted at Mina Jebel Ali. This is designed to handle ships bringing alumina, the plant's basic raw material. From there the alumina and other supplies will be taken to the site by road transport.

Every tonne of finished aluminium is made from two tonnes of alumina and con-sumes more than half a tonne of carbon anode. Keeping the process going demands pro-duction of some 92,500 tonnes of anode blocks every year. The manufacturing facilities on site are being supplied by a West German company, Klöckner-Humboldt-Deutz of Cologne.

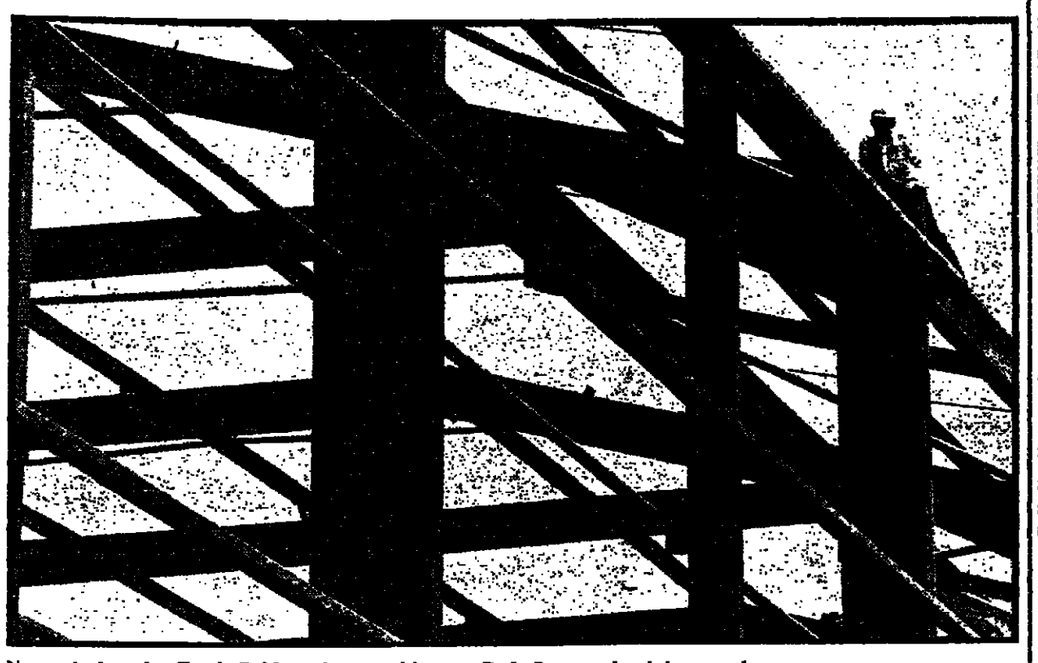
For all its high technology and power demands, the Dubai Aluminium smelter is likely to prove a rewarding investment. With rising de-mand for aluminium in the power and car industries, good price levels are being forecast for the 1980s.

The first aluminium ingot should be poured in 1979. Take-up of the product is assured by long-term con-tracts with Alcan (UK) and the Southwire Company of the United States, which is also acting as a process con-sultant.

Presence of an assured supply of metal has led to establishment of an alumi-nium extrusion plant next to the site.

This is scheduled to pro-duce some 3,000 tonnes of polished and anodized alumi-nium products. If the re-ported scheme for a steel-works at Jebel Ali matures, then this go-ahead emirate will be well on the way to creating a new centre of world industry and com-merce.

J. D. A.



Not painting the Forth Bridge—just working on Dubai's new aluminium smelter.

British engineering still dominates

The location of the second Middle East construction ex-hibition, to open in Dubai at the end of next week, is of special significance to United Kingdom industry because of the high content of British design, building knowledge and materials that have gone into construction of its venue, the Dubai Interna-tional Trade and Exhibition Centre.

Not only is the builder and architect from the United Kingdom but a British firm is organizing the event for the Dubai Chamber of Com-merce and Industry. Such an enterprise serves to illus-trate the trading links which Britain has traditionally enjoyed with the Arab emirates.

British contractors, archi-tects and consulting engi-neers still predominate among international con-struction concerns operating in Dubai even though com-petition from the more ad-vanced Arab-controlled firms is increasing.

Trade centre contractor Bernard Sunley built up a good rapport with Shaikh Rashid's administration in the early days of The Gulf building boom. For some time Sunley was the only major British building con-tractor represented in that part of the world. Costain, Taylor Woodrow and Wim-pey were also taking on major contracts at the time but these were mainly in the civil engineering field such as roads, bridges, harbours and airports.

For a good part of its time in The Gulf, Bernard Sunley has worked closely with a successful British design team and a small number of reliable sub-contractors. For the trade centre, the archi-tect is John R. Harris, the structural engineer W. R. J. Crocker and quantity sur-veyor is Widnell and Trol-lope. It was this designer-contractor team which took on the ambitious scheme first proposed by Shaikh Rashid some six years ago.

Earlier this year Shaikh Rashid opened the first part of the trade centre to come into public use, the new Hil-ton Hotel. This is a con-crete box six storeys high facing inwards towards a courtyard: the 335 bedrooms have deeply recessed win-dows on the outside wall to provide adequate shading from the sun.

From personal experience one can testify to the effi-ciency of the structure and services which maintain this building as an oasis of cool-ness in the noonday heat. Sited on the perimeter of Dubai's expanding commer-cial centre, the hotel stands almost on the edge of the desert. Some think its loca-tion away from the centre of Dubai and the attractions of the picturesque creek is a drawback. The Hilton will obviously depend for much of its clientèle on the growth of activity at the trade cen-tre which is coming into full use only this year.

The trade centre, which has cost about £120m to build and equip, is the only one of its kind in The Gulf. It boasts the Middle East's tallest building. This is the 39-storey tower rising 150 metres above ground level, surmounted by communica-tions and television aerials.

To keep heat gain to a minimum and so reduce the air-conditioning load, the tower is carefully oriented and has an elaborate system of sunshading built in to the external structure. This is mainly provided by precast concrete sunbreakers, allied to a column design which sets the windows back from the outer face of the build-ing.

The Dubai trade centre also has its own well-equip-ped exhibition hall designed to accommodate up to 100 stands, using an underfloor grid of main services, and no intermediate columns. This hall is fully air-condi-tioned, its three-storey height giving the headroom re-quired for big equipment displays.

A temporary pavilion has been built to provide addi-tional covered space in the grounds, which give adequate room for outdoor displays of heavy construction plant.

The three apartment blocks associated with this development are also being completed at about the time the exhibition opens in Dubai.

These are sited close to the trade centre and com-prise some 500 luxury apart-ments. This residential scheme was started only two years ago but work has moved apace with one struc-tural floor being constructed every 10 days at the peak.

Site labour was recruited mainly from Pakistan and this army of tradesmen has provided skills such as steel-fixer, carpenter and mason without which high quality building work cannot be achieved. On this site the British contractor estab-lished a precasting yard to manufacture the large num-ber of concrete elements re-quired for the trade centre contract.

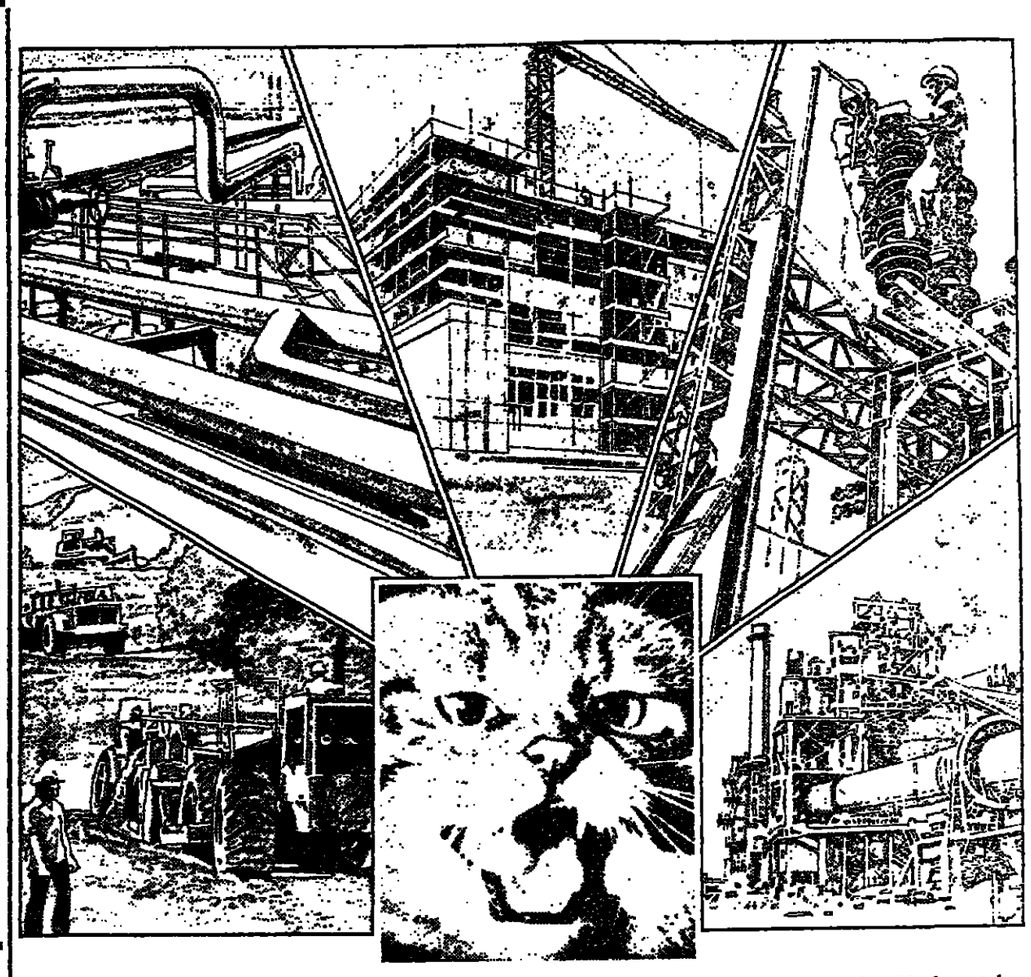
Use of precast concrete is seen to great effect on the façade to the tower block and gives the contractor an opportunity to demonstrate the benefits of accurate manufacture and good finish of such elements.

High quality construction of this kind is expensive and is only for rich clients who wish to create an impressive environment. With these examples of British build-ing skills now firmly estab-lished in Dubai, Bernard Sunley has set a new stan-dard and has won several valuable follow-on orders.

Involvement of a British contractor has corresponding advantages for British manu-facturers of building com-ponents, because such firms do most of their planning and buying in the UK. This includes placing of sub-contracts and formwork design.

So the Dubai construction exhibition (October 29 to November 4) will provide a good opportunity for Arab customers to do some more "buying British". It is surely a happy augury for the new venture that most of it is already "built British". As such, it will probably be the most important exhibit of all.

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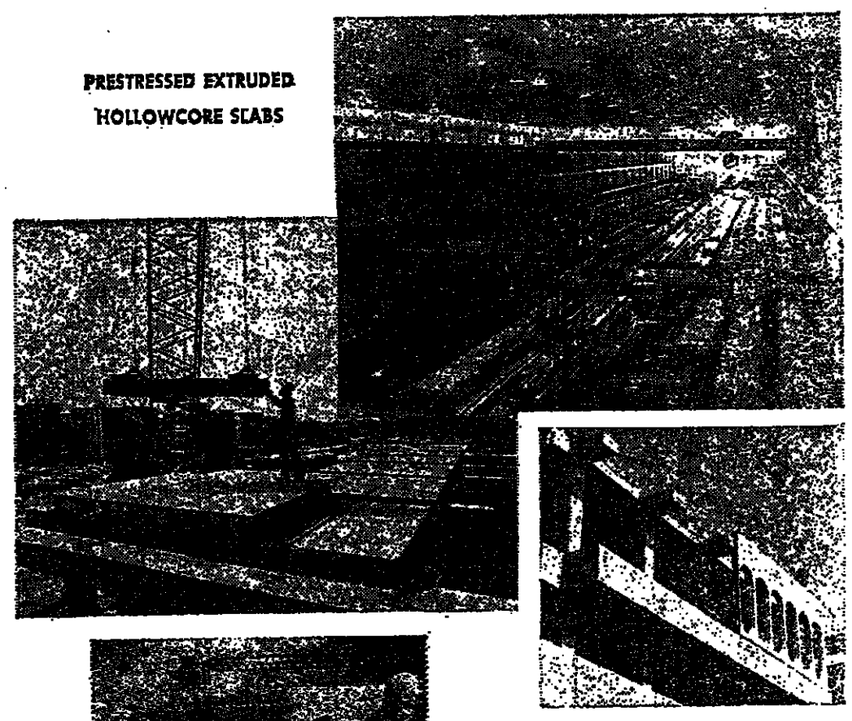
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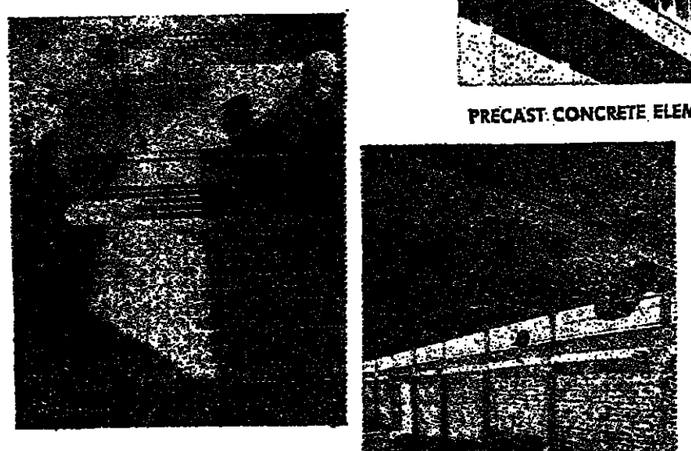
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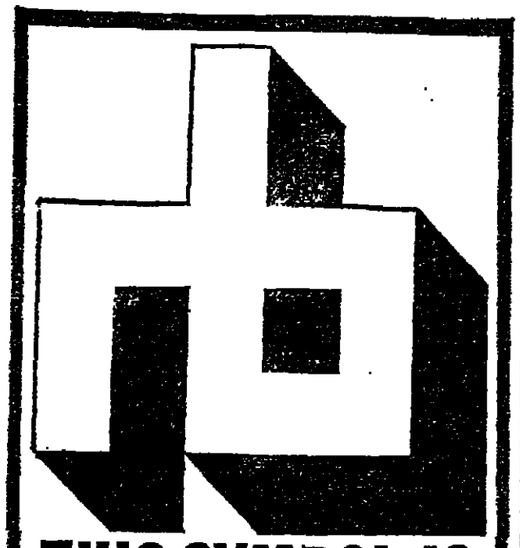
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What £25,000m can do for a sleepy fishing village

by Kenneth Brown

Inhabitants of the sleepy fishing port of Jubayl on Arabia's east coast awoke one morning in 1975 and found themselves on the edge of one of the world's biggest construction sites.

Now two huge new harbours are taking shape in an area of about 40 sq km which has been wrested from the open sea by a system of breakwaters. An armada of construction vessels owned by multinational contracting groups stretches far over the horizon.

But while the £1,500m worth of dredging, reclamation and heavy civil construction caused an upheaval for the villagers, in addition to a new naval base being built a few kilometres to the south, it is only part of a much more gigantic project.

Work has now started on the Jubayl industrial complex, at a cost put at £25,000m for want of a more accurate figure, the biggest single project in the Saudis' efforts to assure the country's future based on the hydrocarbon and energy-intensive industries.

Despite the huge sums involved, there is no doubt that the Saudis mean to carry through this "macro-project" providing there is no interference from outside. Typical of the Arab world, the problems of finance are less daunting than those posed by the huge import of foreign technology.

The scale of construction expected in the next decade over 120 sq km of sand dunes north of the village is surprising. Refineries, petrochemical plants, a steel mill and an aluminium plant, not to mention a city for 300,000 people, amounts to what must be the most ambitious project of its kind in the world. And there are excellent chances of British participation.

Al Jubayl is the larger of two new industrial complexes centred on Saudi Arabia's huge oil and gas reserves. The other is at Yanbu. In June, 1976, Bechtel Incorporated of San Francisco signed a 20-year Jubayl programme management services agreement with a specially created Saudi government agency called the Royal Commission for Jubayl and Yanbu, and now has a large presence in temporary quarters on the Jubayl site.

The project at Yanbu, 1,200km away on Saudi's west coast, is similar in concept though about a quarter of the size of Jubayl. It is a step behind in that American management consultants Ralph M. Parsons were appointed only this year.

Being committed to industrialization of a country which is almost entirely desert, the Saudis want to push ahead on the two projects as fast as organizational, manpower, technical and financial resources will allow.

This means bringing in foreign engineers, architects and contractors on a bigger scale than ever before. But because of the deprivations of life in Saudi Arabia compared with most other parts of the world, the Saudis have to pay dear for this massive import of foreign skill.

Bechtel's brief at Jubayl is to provide engineering and other consulting services to assist the commission in implementing and operating the new service facilities and construction support programme. The capital cost is estimated at $10,000m out of a total development of $45,000m. At Yanbu, by comparison, total development costs spread over 28 years are put at about $10,000m.

Bechtel's planning embraces a variety of support projects to the primary industries proper. They include desalination and power plants, an airport, highways, a rail connexion with Dammam 80km to the south, all services and utilities and a regional telecommunications system.

Recognizing that port facilities will be vital for bringing in engineering equipment and material for the project, the Saudi Government put work in hand on two harbours, one for commercial and the other for industrial traffic, in 1975 while Bechtel was still working out the master plan.

Harbour construction by Dutch, South Korean, German and Greek contractors began in 1976 to designs by Sir William Halcrow and Partners. There are 8,000 men employed and housed in company camps in the Jubayl area.

Halcrow's brief as consulting engineers to this £1,500m scheme represents easily the biggest British contribution to date. First berths in the commercial harbour are already open to shipping and the industrial harbour should be in full operation by the end of 1979. This work is administered by Saudi Ports Authority.

More British consultants are winning study and design assignments for sections of the industrial complex which Bechtel is farming out. Sir Alexander Gibb, for example, has the airport which is to be built in two stages, and the common seawater cooling system for the industrial area.

Deep water facilities are essential to a project like Jubayl which is why work on the two harbours, one industrial and one commercial, began before formulation of the total project. The industrial harbour is specifically to serve the project, and London consultants Rendel Palmer and Tritton have been commissioned by Bechtel to carry out a study so as to make the best use of its facilities during the construction and operating phases of the industrial complex.

Other British consultants which have won slices of study and design work at Jubayl include W. S. Atkins, Binnie and Partners and Henderson Hughes and Busby.

The commercial harbour is designed to serve the mushrooming community and supplement Dammam as a gateway for goods to and from Saudi's rich Eastern Province. Both harbours have room within the breakwaters for future expansion.

Outside the breakwaters a steel-piled, open-sea tanker terminal (OSTT) is being built as part of the industrial harbour civil contract. All 100,000 tonnes of steelwork is coming from Korea in large prefabricated units. The white-painted, superstructure units are being erected Meccano-fashion, like the Sullom Voe jetties in Shetland but on a much bigger scale.

Each harbour was split into two principal contracts to be built, one for dredging and reclamation and the other for the civil work. The two dredging contractors, both Dutch specialists, hit trouble with the cap rock in the sea bed, characteristic of this part of the world, which takes the form of a hard crust overlying softer layers beneath.

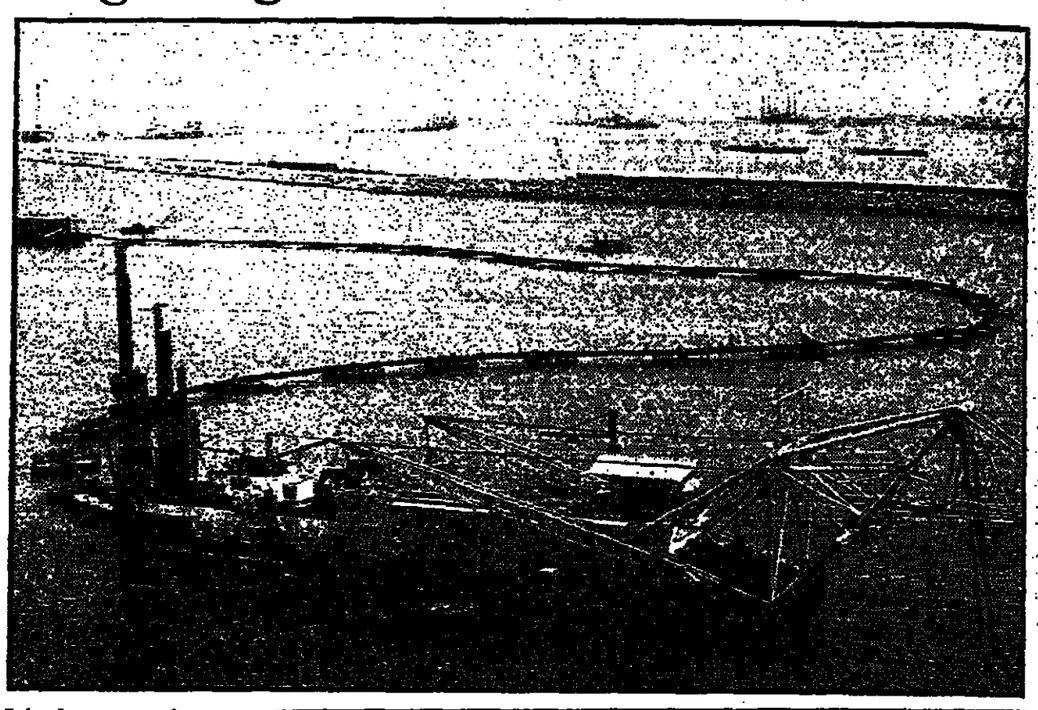
In the worst spots, modern cutter-suction dredgers with 2,000 horsepower cutters could make little progress despite an exorbitant consumption of steel teeth. The two firms tried several ingenious alternatives.

Adrian Volker on the commercial harbour successfully used underwater blanket blasting but the Stevin, Bos Kalis, Zan Verswep alliance working on the industrial harbour ordered £5m worth of special equipment. This included two rockbreaker barges which alternately raised and let fall a series of huge, weighted chisels on the cap rock to shatter it.

Though they only arrived on site in time for the last few months of the dredging contract before it finished in midsummer, the rockbreakers proved their worth and are still in the area, awaiting a buyer with a similar problem.

Completion of the dredging and reclamation in no way diminished the pace of work on the two most active civil contracts: rather the opposite, the Volker-Hochtief-CCC joint venture on the commercial harbour is at its peak labour force.

The operations of the two contractors on similar work designed for the same client by the same consultant differ but for ethnic rather than technical reasons.



Jubayl port under construction this summer.

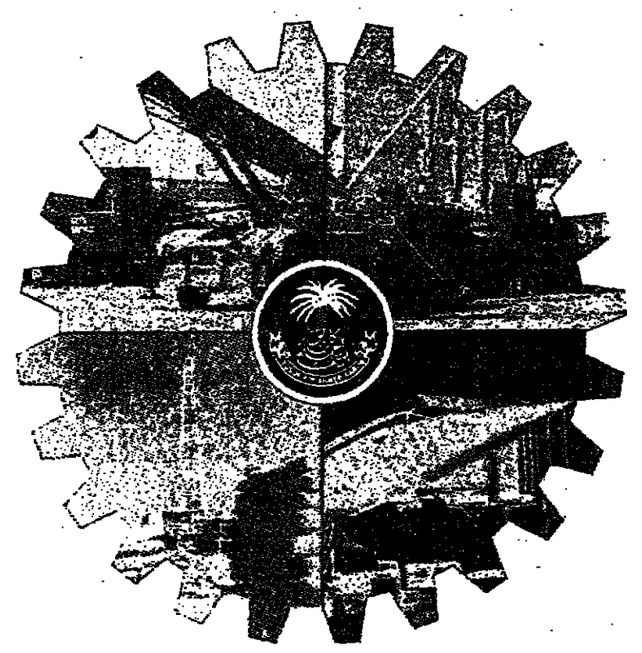
Hyundai Construction on the industrial harbour runs what is like a military operation. Its entire 4,000-strong work force is South Korean. Only the colour of the uniforms denotes status and there is scarcely a wife on site.

This company, whose contract includes the open sea tanker terminal, hopes to finish its programme next March, nine months early. This could cause manpower difficulties. The Saudis recently tightened controls on immigrants.

In contrast to European contractors, regimentation on site is the order of the day. The huge concrete quay wall-blocks are stored in serried rows and since there is room to store them without stacking, they have minimum reinforcement just for lifting.

Bechtel's own set-up on shore is just as characteristically American as the Koreans' operation on the harbour is Korean. Abut 800 expatriate Americans, with a few families, are now housed in luxurious trailer homes in a huge compound on the only high ground.

But there is nothing temporary about Bechtel's 20-year contract: they are there to stay. And the master plan predicts that the few thousand imported labour working on the industrial complex will ultimately swell to 30,000 to 40,000 in order to realize the Saudi Arabian dream.



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SUDAN

Vying to be the granary of the Arab world

by Garry Ridgway

Sudan would dearly like to be the granary of the Arab world. It is Africa's largest country, with 800,000 sq km of arable land still largely undeveloped. The Arabic population in the country's northern provinces provides the essential spiritual link with wealthier Muslim states across the Red Sea.

This aspiration has not yet come to fruition, though the country's experience with modern irrigation engineering has proved splendidly successful. The Gezira scheme, sited at the confluence of the Blue and White Niles near Khartum, has produced large crops for 50 years.

But Sudan is a poor country with a mainly agricultural economy and is heavily dependent on foreign investment. Fifteen years of civil war between the Muslim north and Negroid south racked the economy before President Nimeiry negotiated peace in 1972. Oil and gas discoveries have been negligible; 80 per cent of the 19 million Sudanese depend on the land for their livelihood.

Similar to Egypt, Sudan's agricultural economy has been built on the flows and floods of the Nile. Its waters irrigate the plains to produce crops such as groundnuts, sorghum and cotton, the staple export. And it is around the Nile that a master plan is near completion, a scheme to structure Sudan's hydroelectric and irrigation development until the end of the century.

Sir Murdoch MacDonald and Partners, the Cambridge consulting engineers, have spent more than a year with two other companies to prepare the *Nile Waters Study* at a reputed £1m fee. This report will soon be submitted to a special steering committee set up by Sudan's Ministry for Irrigation. Apparently it will contain advice for more small pumping schemes along the Nile towards Egypt; the raising of Roseires Dam, an important water storage and power centre on the Blue Nile; and expansion of irrigation on the plains of the Rahad river.

At the Rahad last December a £180m development was opened to boost cotton and groundnuts production. Alluvial scrub land on the river's east bank is being irrigated with waters pumped 80 km from the Blue Nile, supplementing normal seasonal flow between July and November.

This scheme will have a huge social impact. Owner-farmer communes are being set up and 100,000 Sudanese will be resettled. Roads, hospitals and schools are being built, all the necessary services to support a new farming society.

The Rahad project has been supported financially by Arab states, though in the past fraternal assistance has often had more to do with oratory than hard cash. The Kuwaiti Fund for Arab Economic Development, the Saudi Development Fund, the Arab Fund for Social and Economic Assistance and the World Bank were contributors, though the Sudanese Government paid the largest share.

Despite stable government and good agricultural prospects, Sudan has had trouble attracting investors to its large development schemes. Efficient expansion is often beleaguered by lack of a sound transport and services structure throughout the country; these demand investment.

Big schemes and few of them have been Sudan's style. For example, the £300m Kenana sugar project sited 250 km south of Khartum is undoubtedly a masterpiece of irrigation engineering, even if its construction logistics have put the programme behind schedule. The Government hopes to make money from sugar as an export crop, grown on a 34,000 hectare estate. Water from the White Nile will be pumped along a 31 km canal for the crop.

British companies are deeply involved in this project. Howard Humphries and Sons is the designer and United Kingdom contractor Sir Robert McAlpine was awarded a large share in the irrigation construction in 1975. This is pleasing, especially since Britain is one of Sudan's largest trading partners.

A French contractor, Compagnie de Constructions Internationales, has won the latest "plum" irrigation job. Under a £130m contract the company will cut a 350 km canal through swamps in the deep south of the country. Rich in fish and bird life, the swamps of the Sudd have annually dissipated 42,000m cu metres of water from the White Nile, which has its source in Uganda. The 52-metre wide canal will be a short-cut for the Nile through the swamps, around which it has always meandered, losing half its flow by evaporation. The World Bank, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait are supplying funds.

Egypt will benefit from this canal project too. It lays claim to river resources under the 1959 Nile Waters agreement. Fundamentally this is a fifty-fifty deal for the two neighbours to share both contract commitments and water wealth from any river work that benefits their agriculture.

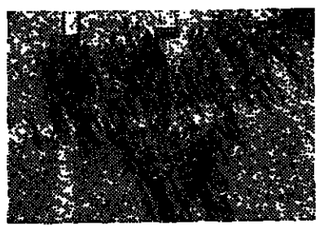
Common sense dictates that Sudan's agricultural expansion takes place along the Nile. But in recent years the Government's eyes have turned to distant provinces. In Darfur, near Chad to the west, there is a land-use study now under way for the savannah grasslands; desert has rapidly encroached for 15 years. Britain's Ministry for Overseas Development and the Abu Dhabi fund are supporting this project.

Land to the north-east, and that surrounding the Red Sea coast, is hilly and rocky. There is a shortage of drinking water. The most profitable engineering concentrates on improving the deteriorating railway and building first-class roads to feed materials, shipped to Port Sudan, to irrigation projects throughout the country. In effect this has started, with a main road between Khartum and Port Sudan, being built.

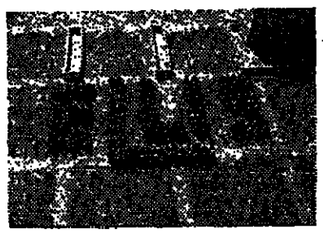
Often a contractor's suspected inefficiency can be put down to poor material and machinery supply. This is Sudan's weakness. The country aches for well-organized transport services. Foreign cash must fund this work as an integral part of irrigation projects. Sudan has exciting prospects; all it needs is more money.

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NORTH AND SOUTH YEMEN

Sudden spurt of interest as new development begins

hn D. Allen

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Recently, in an unprecedented move, some key members of the Arab League, including Saudi Arabia, suspended relations with the South Yemen Government and in so doing cut off the flow of development funds that would have otherwise trickled down south. Saudi hostility towards Aden will probably accelerate the rate of development support for North Yemen.

Quite apart from its political orientation South Yemen has little population and few natural resources. Its principal asset resides in its location at the entrance to the Red Sea, astride the sea routes in the Indian Ocean. This is given added importance by the revolutionary struggles in the Horn of Africa.

One effect of the disturbances in the south has been emigration of many of the former merchant class in Aden to the north, thus strengthening North Yemen and creating a better base for economic growth. Now largely isolated from the rich resources of the Arab world, South Yemen could not be expected to generate much in the way of construction work for expatriate firms.

One architectural practice that has recently been investigating the prospects in North Yemen is Cagdas Associates, who report a peculiarity in dealing with consultants. This is the habit —not confined to Yemen—of appointing one consultant for the pre-contract stages of a project and another for supervision of the work. This often means that the architect or engineer engaged to produce the tender documents will not be involved in the evaluation of tenders.

Sometimes the contract is awarded before appointing the consultant who is to supervise the work. Practices of this kind, considered unusual by Western standards, can probably be explained by the fact that the Yemenis like to deal with contract awards in their own way. But attitudes like this also help to explain why consultants and contractors have been slow to commit themselves to working in Yemen.

Selection of the contractor can be a lengthy and involved business, especially when tenders are heavily qualified with all kinds of provisos. These complexities are made all the harder to unravel if at the evaluation stage the client dispenses with professional advice. At the end of the day a victor will emerge from the fray, but on terms that seldom bear much resemblance to the original basis of tender.

Local contractors can always submit prices far below anything a foreign contractor dare quote. Expatriate firms have to price their tenders realistically even if later on they are prepared to offer a discount to get the job. But the limited capacity of local contractors is soon exposed by any job demanding more than traditional styles of building.

It is unlikely that the North Yemen Government would entrust any contract exceeding £1m to any firm other than an international contractor of repute. With the promised expenditure of about 5,000m rials on transport and communications in the present five-year plan (about £560m), this seems to promise a number of contracting opportunities in civil engineering and public works.

An example is the project to reconstruct 204km of existing graded road between the coastal town of Al Hudaydah to the border with Saudi Arabia, running through flat and rolling terrain.

This kind of road reconstruction job is familiar in the Arab construction market and could be quite profitable for a well-equipped international contractor. Its basic requirement is high-volume production of asphalt road materials, probably from one of the latest type of electronically controlled batching plants.

What the contractor then needs is a secure base, a fleet of trucks and paving machines, plus of course the indispensable element of skilled supervision. This job and a related road construction contract in the high ground between Sadah and the Saudi border should prove attractive to expatriate contractors since they are backed by the Saudi Fund for Development.

New roads are just part of the public service programme agreed earlier this year by a Saudi-North Yemen joint commission. This joint planning body is evidence of the close rapport between the two countries who plainly find a common interest in resisting the threat from the south.

Several power and public health projects are in hand with British consultants involved—Howard Humphreys for the Sana's refuse disposal scheme and Kennedy and Donkin for the Yemen electrification scheme.

So far nothing has been heard about the road tenders, due in last April. A delay of six months in coming to a decision would not be unusual but in submitting their bids the expatriate contractors must take into account high establishment and running costs in Yemen, plus inflation running at rates even higher than in Saudi Arabia. It is likely, therefore, that the Yemeni highways authority is faced with bid prices well in excess of cost estimates.

A joint venture such as Costain International-Amey Roadstone would appear to be well-placed to take further work in North Yemen since it has already set itself up to build the new airport at Al Hudayah.

This £19m contract is sponsored by the United Nations development programme and will open up North Yemen to international air traffic.

With all its special knowledge in overseas contracting, Costain International was breaking new ground in Yemen. There was nothing established there and everything, including furniture and linen, had to be transported to the site. The firm had no contacts in Yemen and relied for news on its first-on-site representatives. Costain's experience only highlights the difficulties for European firms attempting to set up a contracting operation in this remote part of the world.

On the other hand, North Yemen seems to be at the start of an upsurge, though as yet the volume of work being let appears to be small. Contractors and consultants will be wary of too deep an involvement in this area, where the example of Oman shows that infrastructure development is liable to be a short-lived phase followed by relapse into oriental quietude.

Hostility of powerful neighbours harms prospects

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Prospects of more rapid progress in economic development are clouded by the hostility of Saudi Arabia and North Yemen and a lack of interest in the West. There are fears that South Yemen is being turned into a satellite of the Eastern block. This is emphatically denied by South Yemeni spokesmen such as the Ambassador in London, Muhammad Hadi Awad. He also emphasizes the continuing friendly relations with China which in the early days made a useful contribution to the newly-emerging state.

No one denies that the Russians are using Aden for bunkers nor that their air traffic has access to Aden's international airport. These are obviously valuable concessions. But to describe the South Yemen as Arabia's first communist state seems to be pushing things rather too far.

Three parties have allied themselves in the so-called "unified political organization" and it seems that the Marxist faction is in the ascendancy. Against this is South Yemen's continued adherence to the Islamic faith.

Radical reforms of Muslim institutions such as marriage and divorce are lesser known reasons why the South Yemenis have incurred the wrath of more conservative Arab states.

The South Yemenis have abolished the old restrictions on women who now enjoy equal rights with men. This was vividly demonstrated last year when 24 students came to Britain on a training course sponsored by Stelmo International in association with the Cement and Concrete Association.

The group included six women, all of whom held technical qualifications. The course was arranged in connexion with the supply by Stelmo of three mobile plants for producing precast concrete dwellings. These give the South Yemenis capacity for producing up to 1,800 of these units a year.

The Yemenis in the south have not helped their case for development finance by arousing the hostility of their powerful neighbours in the Arabian peninsular But this does not mean they are completely cut off from the rest of the Arab world.

Kuwait appears sympathetic to development proposals aimed at promoting growth in the neglected areas of Wadi Hadramaut. Because of support from the Kuwait Fund for Arab Development, tenders have been invited from international contractors for a $16m scheme to improve the Rayyan domestic airport at Al Mukallah.

Nothing has yet been heard of any decision regarding this contract. But the work will not come to Britain because the only British contractor who bid subsequently withdrew.

The Rayyan improvement is important because it will allow jet aircraft to operate between Aden and the interior.

Engineering improvements at the port of Aden are also being studied. Aden's importance has declined with the interruption of shipping through the Suez Canal, but traffic has recently seen something of a revival as the development pace in the north accelerates. Aden refinery, South Yemen's main industrial installation, has been taken over by the Government. The British presence is maintained by BP.

So Britain still has a foothold in the South Yemen economy which plainly is in great need of outside help.

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IRAQ

Alluring place hard to penetrate

by John Huxley

Because of the mixing of business and politics, Iraq has not been an easy market for the British exporter. However, until recently prospects for the construction industry appeared good.

British building and civil engineering skills have been held in high esteem, both because of previous work carried out in Iraq and the large number of Iraqi engineers who were trained in the United Kingdom.

The market is attractive. Iraq is the world's seventh largest oil producer and has substantial reserves of minerals. Budgeted development expenditure this year is $9,600m, a total exceeded in the Middle East only by Saudi Arabia and Iran.

Under the five-year plan to 1980, great emphasis is placed on improving agriculture through irrigation, reclamation of land and other projects, one of which, valued at £2.8m, has been carried out by the British company, Merples Ridgway. There will also be large increases in spending on other physical and social services.

The plan envisages improvements to some 4,000 km of secondary roads, railway refurbishment and expansion (another British company, Dow-Mac, recently completed a £10m contract to build a concrete rail sleeper factory near Baghdad), the quadrupling of power generation and the modernization of docks. School, hospital and health centre and housing programmes provide further opportunities.

Indeed, the plan estimates that cement production will rise by 250 per cent to 10 million tonnes a year by 1980. Brick output will increase by about 200 per cent.

Although development plans must be treated with scepticism, the opportunities appear to be growing, thus continuing a trend which has seen the value of British exports to Iraq grow from £27m in 1973 to £167m last year.

It was against this encouraging background that Mr Michael Meacher, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Trade, visited Iraq last May. His welcome was described as "encouraging and warm".

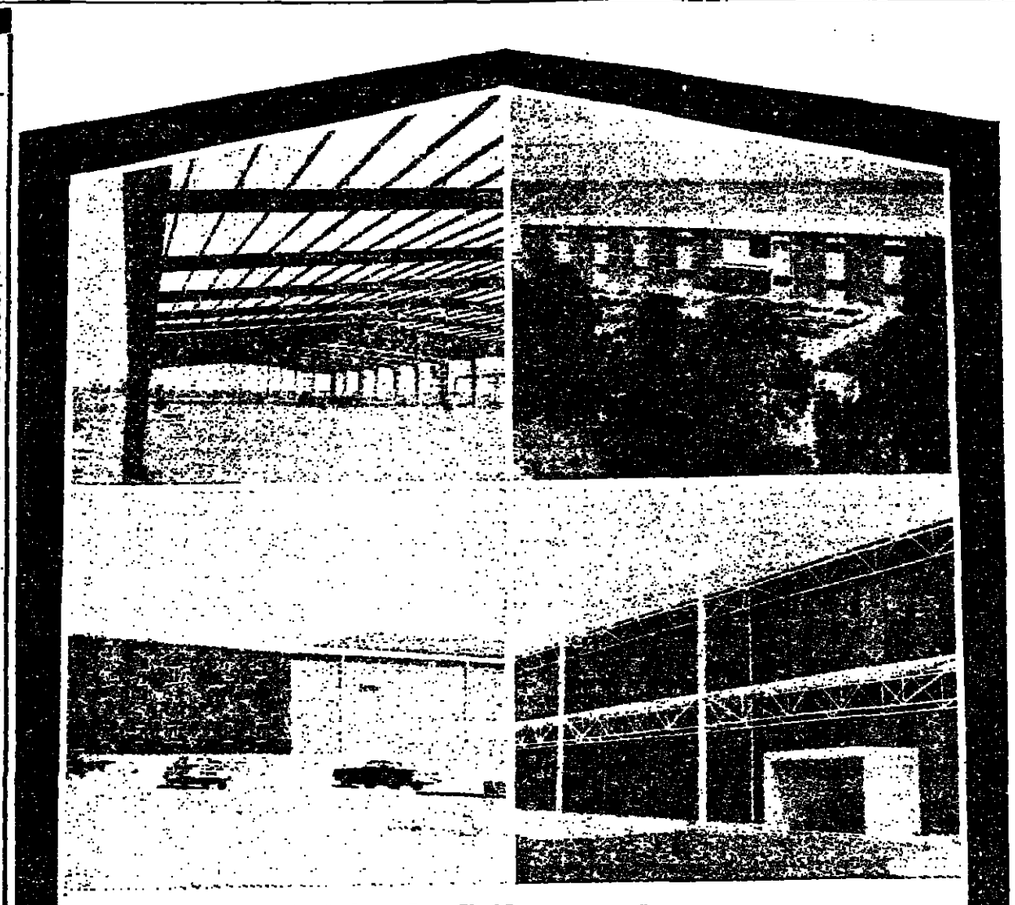
Since then, however, relations between Britain and Iraq have soured. Soon after the expulsion of 11 diplomats from Britain in July, the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council issued a circular aimed at discouraging trade with the United Kingdom.

Despite the fears of British companies, the Department of Trade says it is still too early to estimate the effect of the circular, although it believes there is already evidence that there have been delays in the award of contracts and orders. Some discrimination against British companies cannot be ruled out.

George Wimpey, it is understood, is still in the running for a contract connected with the Umm Qasr port development, although it now seems that another major contract in which it was interested—the building of the £1,200m Baghdad to Hussaiba railway—has gone to a Brazilian contractor.

In recent years, British contractors, perhaps concentrating on the easier, by comparison, markets of the Middle East, have been outpaced by their rivals in Iraq. The Japanese, Finns and Eastern block countries have all made headway.

Companies already established in Iraq should continue to pick up work. They will be encouraged by generous advances and predictable payments, which have given Iraq a good standing in the eyes of the Export Credit Guarantee Department, if occasionally frustrated by bureaucratic delays. For companies hoping to break into a market to which entry is, for the most part, by invitation only anyway, the signs are inauspicious.



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Three authors examine traditional business practices in the Middle East: the role of the contractor's agent, the opportunities for British consultants, and the rapidly expanding market for plant, equipment and materials

Key to opening doors in a traditional world

by T. A. Kemster

The belief that bribery and corruption are rampant in Arabian commerce is part of the conventional Western view of the Middle East. This belief is largely the result of a misunderstanding of the role of agents in the Arab world and a brief explanation of this alien system may help exporting organizations to respect and understand a traditional business practice which stems from a long-established social code.

With few exceptions, foreign firms involved in the Middle East are compelled by law to appoint an agent or to establish a local firm in which 51 per cent of the equity is held by Arab nationals. Thus, having made the decision to operate *in the Middle East, there can* be no moral dilemmas about "underhand payments"—participation in the system is unavoidable.

The relationship between an agent and the companies he represents is simple: the agent is the dominant partner. Regardless of the bonhomie which may be present at meetings in London hotel lounges, in the agent's own country he has total responsibility for (and commensurate jurisdiction over) the firms which have appointed him.

*Arabian society, in com*mon with most eastern cultures, is family-oriented so that commercial attitudes tend to be nepotistic and, irrespective of whether the firms provide a product or a service, an agent will pro*mote his companies among* his relatives and business associates (who are usually one and the same). He will rarely find a market outside this close circle, not only because of distrust of other clans but also because business transactions within the family are to the benefit of the family. For providing this service he expects to be rewarded with a retainer or commission on sales.

When foreign firms tender for contracts, the agent's commission is added to the tender figure. On receipt of payment, the commission is given to the agent to distribute as he chooses, a large proportion inevitably getting back to the individuals responsible for awarding the contract. This is not Western capital paid in bribes but Arab money paid to Arabs.

The main objection to this system, for which it is constantly vilified in the West, is the awarding of government contracts in return for personal favours—an apparent abuse of public office. In Arab eyes, such practice is merely an extension of the long-established principle that every favour must be reciprocated. Furthermore, in the Middle East, position is deemed a personal asset on which to capitalize and the frequent redistribution of public appointments ensures that the benefits of office are widely spread. Whereas, to the Western mind, such benefits are nothing more than a surreptitious diversion of public money to private ends, in an Islamic nation any ex-gratia payments which an official may receive from the public purse are accepted as being just reward for civic service.

From the point of view of foreign firms tendering for contracts, any direct or indirect payments to clients would normally be construed *as an attempt to influence* the process of meritorious selection. In many parts of the Arab world this process operates in parallel with orthodox Western methods of securing contracts. However, since the agent's com*mission is paid out of the* client's own resources, it carries little weight in influencing the appointment since the amount does not depend on the resources of the selected firm. Partiality is far more likely on occasions when the client has family obligations toward a particular agent since, for the Arabs, fulfilment of their social code is as important as emulating Western business methods.

The workings of the agency system may be better appreciated by comparing progress in the Middle Eastern nations with other developing countries that have had Western standards thrust upon them.

Historically, Arabia stretched from Turkey to the Yemen and from Egypt to Iran. It had little formal government, except as exercised by a succession of occupying powers. The guiding influence was (and still is) strong religious principles. In less than 70 years Arabia has been partitioned *into separate nations;* bureaucratic systems have been created and oil has brought inconceivable wealth. Elsewhere, similar circumstances have been the recipe for internal disruption but much of Arabia remains stable, in no small measure the result of the role of its agents.

The kingdom of Saudi Arabia serves as an example. Being an absolute monarchy, the enormous income of the kingdom is vested in the senior members of the ruling dynasty. However, because of their status, the 4,000 princes within the royal family and the numerous senior members of other families also have substantial financial expectations. Nevertheless they do not benefit from the distribution of largesse but are given the opportunity to earn some of their nation's wealth by participating in the nuances, responsibilities and advancement of the agency system.

Finally, at a time when Arab administrations were unequal to the task, the agency system has assisted many Middle Eastern countries in their development aspirations by encouraging private enterprise to work for the betterment of the state. The success of this aspect of the system is undeniable.

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Careful fieldwork needed to net diminishing business

by Judith Cruickshank

From Bath to Al-Khobar in Saudi Arabia is no small distance, but G. W. Sparrow and Sons appears to have taken it in its stride. Well known in Britain as one of the country's leading crane hirers, Sparrow is setting up a joint company which will supply crane hire and other lifting services initially in Saudi Arabia and eventually throughout the Middle East.

But 1978 is late in the great Middle East boom; some companies are already foreseeing the end of their operations rather than a new start. What makes Sparrow think it will succeed with crane hire in an area where many experienced companies have gone badly astray? Careful fieldwork is the answer.

Sparrow started looking at the possibility of setting up a Middle East operation about three years ago. The *three Sparrow brothers who* are the company's joint managing directors made several trips to look over the territory and examine operating conditions.

They found there were many cranes, but little if any crane hire in the sense that it is understood in this country. All the owners park their cranes in one particular area, and anyone who wants a lifting job done goes and bargains with the crane driver.

In 1976 the company was able to get a taste of working conditions when it won a contract for unloading in the dockyard at Dammam. This involved shipping out men and equipment and gave Sparrow a chance to *learn at first hand about the* difficulties of finding housing, the difficulties with communications and how to spot the kind of man who can adapt to the conditions of work in an Arab country.

Observation and the ex*perience of other companies* taught the Sparrow brothers that the crucial ingredient of any successful venture was the quality of the local partner. Discussions were held with several possible groups, but finally Sparrows came to an agreement with the Alireza group which has offices in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Oman and the United Arab Emirates as well as in London and Paris.

Alireza has a wide variety of interests including cargo handling, transport, industrial housing, contracting, through a joint venture with Laing-Wimpey; and pipe and steelwork fabrication and pipelaying in a joint venture with Williams International of Tulsa.

The new company is Reza-yat-Sparrow Arabian Crane Hire and is owned 51 per cent by Alireza and 49 per cent by Sparrow. Initially the company will have a single base at Al-Khobar near Dammam, where it has a villa with a telephone, but it hopes to spread round The Gulf to match the Alireza operation.

What differences will there be from Sparrow's United Kingdom operation? The hire rate will be much higher because of the high cost of maintaining staff and premises in Saudi Arabia. British customers of Sparrow working in the Middle East accept the higher costs as inevitable. Otherwise, all the services offered in Bath will be available.

The company will mainly be staffed by expatriates, although it has managed to recruit some local labour and hopes to increase the proportion. Service will be carried out by the company's own engineers, but inspection of the crane sales companies has convinced Sparrow that there is no necessity to carry huge stocks of spare parts. Most of the distributors are adequately stocked to meet any emergency.

The shortage of telephones means more leg work. You drive to see a customer and if he is out you simply have to get back in the car and drive on to the next one. But this face to face contact is just the way business is carried out.

Sykes Pumps, which has been trading in the area since 1975, says that mutual trust is possibly the most important factor in any business dealings there: trust between partners and trust between customer and hirer. A good deal of business is on the basis of "my word is my bond", and, although occasionally people take unfair advantage, generally the principle holds good.

Sykes's *main business is* in the United Arab Emirates where it has a joint venture company, Khansaheb Sykes, and it also has operations in Bahrain and Saudi Arabia. Although in the early days it worked mainly for British contractors, it now finds the proportion has decreased, and most of its customers are non-British operations which regard it as a local concern.

Sykes also finds that there is a trend to ask for more than just a straightforward hire service. The customer will want to make full use of the company's local knowledge and though this may not be a formally contracted service, he is generally prepared to pay for it.

This has been the experience of SGB, too, which has interests in Saudi Arabia and in the UAE. That company also emphasizes the importance of flexible thinking. "You can find yourself dealing with as many as 10 different nationalities in the course of a single day, and each one will bring a different approach to a similar situation."

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Consultants are trustees of £30,000m

by P. A. Brown

From the large integrated practices to the smallest of specialist firms, British consultants are competing successfully throughout the Arab world. Their interests extend from Morocco in the west to the Gulf states and Iraq in the east. Worldwide, they are working on projects representing capital expenditure of more than £30,000m, more than 60 per cent of it within the Arab world.

The Arabian market for skills, services and equip*ment is likely to remain* substantial for many years, although there will be fluctuations in the intensity of development because of the necessity for periodic payments. In some states such a time is with us now when, *after the initial rush* of spending, the Arabs are standing back and reviewing progress. This must involve an assessment of the contractual and commercial bases upon which projects were executed, as well as a critical look at the wisdom of some of the schemes.

It is in this circumstance that the advantages of the fully-independent consultant are likely to be understood and appreciated. Arab clients are growing increasingly sensitive about the integrity of their foreign specialist advisers. Sound advice and straight dealing are becoming more highly valued, and this is an important factor for British consultants whose underlying philosophy is service to the client.

Also, it is now realized that headlong investment of capital into big industries without appropriate planning for basic services and social needs of the people serving those industries is *misguided, and that much* greater attention has to be paid to the peripheral matters which strongly influence development. British consultants, particularly those combining engineering skills with planning and architectural capability, are especially suited to advising clients on these problems, and this type of work will represent substantial activity for the next decade at least.

Middle East clients retain British consultants in both the public and private sectors to undertake feasibility studies, project management, design and supervi*sion of construction.* They are often employed to participate in the design sections of package deals. The increasing involvement of consultants in project management is a manifestation of the growing com*plexity of development* schemes and of the clients' apprehension concerning their own abilities to control the financial, technical and human resources on the scale required. Many consultancy appointments now embrace a variety of activities, from initial studies and financial planning to responsibility for commissioning plant and training staff for the completed scheme.

The type of work with *which British consultants* are entrusted is wide and extends from basic amenities required for a rural environment to highly technical industrial plant. My company is heavily involved in iron and steel works, and with other consultants, is active in hospital and academic building projects and in the development of townships and services.

Food production is being increased and the latest techniques in stock-rearing and intensive farming of both land and water supplies are being practised in many Arab states on quite a large scale. There is a tremendous demand for technological development and this is reflected in specific contracts to deal with *the commissioning and* training of staff for the big installations and the rapid development now taking place in universities and centres of higher education. Algeria, Kuwait, Iraq and Saudi Arabia are some of the countries which have invested large sums in higher education facilities.

The exceptional oil wealth of Saudi Arabia has meant that its developments have received the lion's share of publicity, but substantial work is undertaken in all Arab countries bordering the Mediterranean and The Gulf. However, the development philosophies of the Arab states vary considerably. Some are speedily converting their oil revenues into heavy and manufacturing industries, while others are concentrating finance and trading.

There are states who themselves as cultu centres and others who a attempting to combine these activities. There also an interesting trend the Arab world to develo links with and betwe Muslims of the Middle a Far East. Increasingly, Ar money is being deploy for the benefit of unde developed Muslim commu ties.

The consultant working the Arab world soon appr ciates how different th state is from another. The are not only differences i political systems, prima and secondary language customs and receptivene to British people, but al in conditions of contra (some of which may see strange and harsh), metho of negotiation, appoin ment and market rates ar credit-worthiness. Of cours difficulties of visa restri tions, import controls, pe sonal and company taxatio and currency controls ari in most Arabic countries they do everywhere else.

There are many instance where market situations ar dominated by bilateral trad agreements with other cou tries, and where contract are subsidized for politica foreign exchange and othe commercial reasons. Britis consultants, who are gen erally free from commercia interests, frequently have t compete against desig packages that are given away in the hope that a large sale of some manufac tured project will ensue The consultant must be very alive to this situation other wise he can spend much time and effort to no purpose.

By tradition, British consultants are impartial advisers—and this is a key factor in their success. How ever, this approach is seen in some quarters as being unhelpful to the United Kingdom contracting and manufacturing industries. The answer is simple: the surest way to any short list is the right product or service, at the right price and at the right time.

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